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(54) **MULTIPLE DOMAIN SMARTPHONE**

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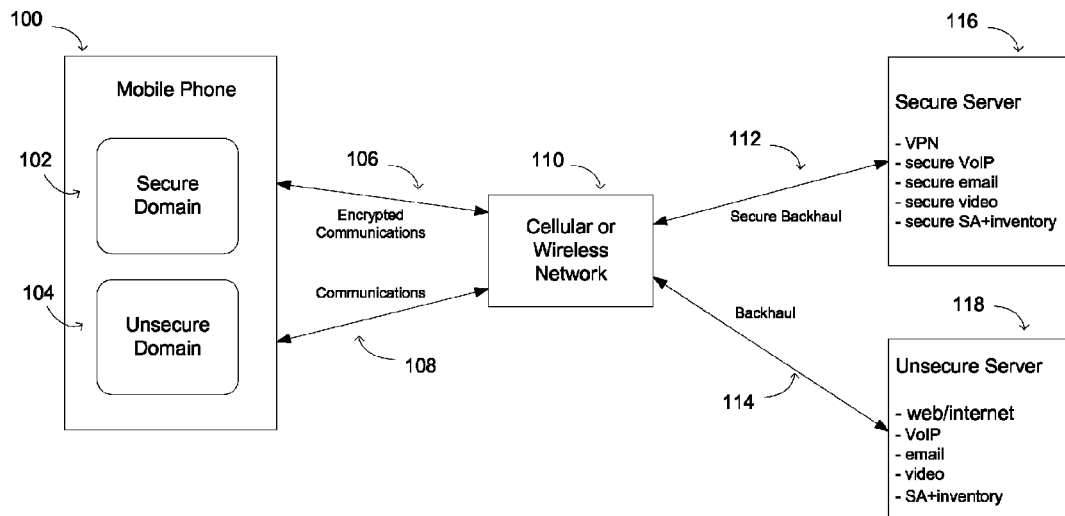
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ABSTRACT

A smartphone is adapted, through software modifications, to provide multiple operating domains or domains that provide differing levels of security and reliability. Each operating domain is isolated from the others. Detection of unauthorized modification is provided in some embodiments. Cross domain activity notification is provided in some embodiments.

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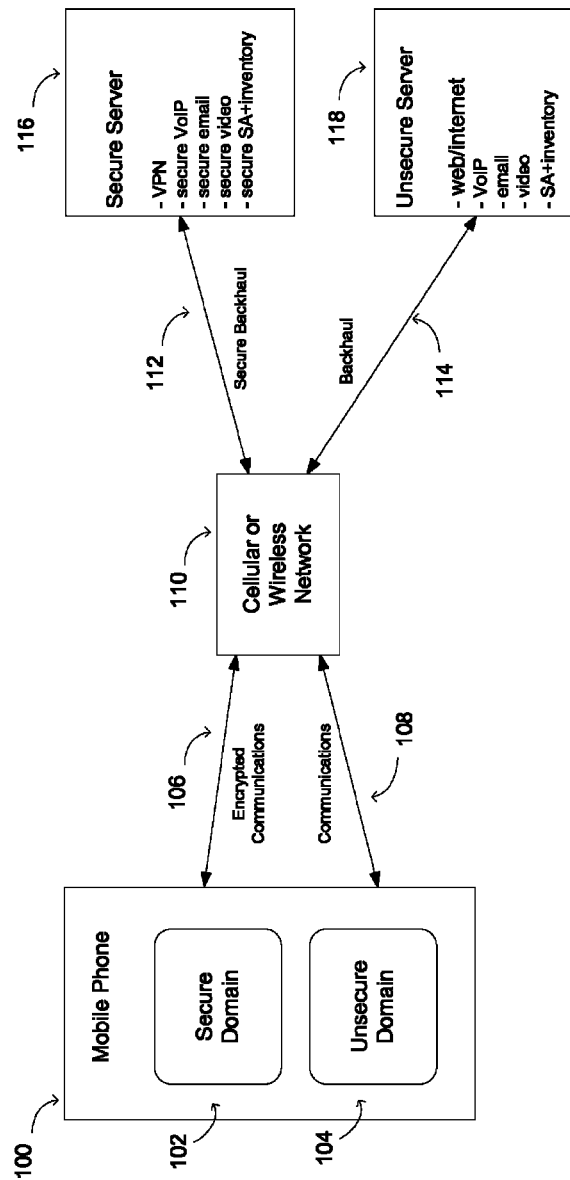


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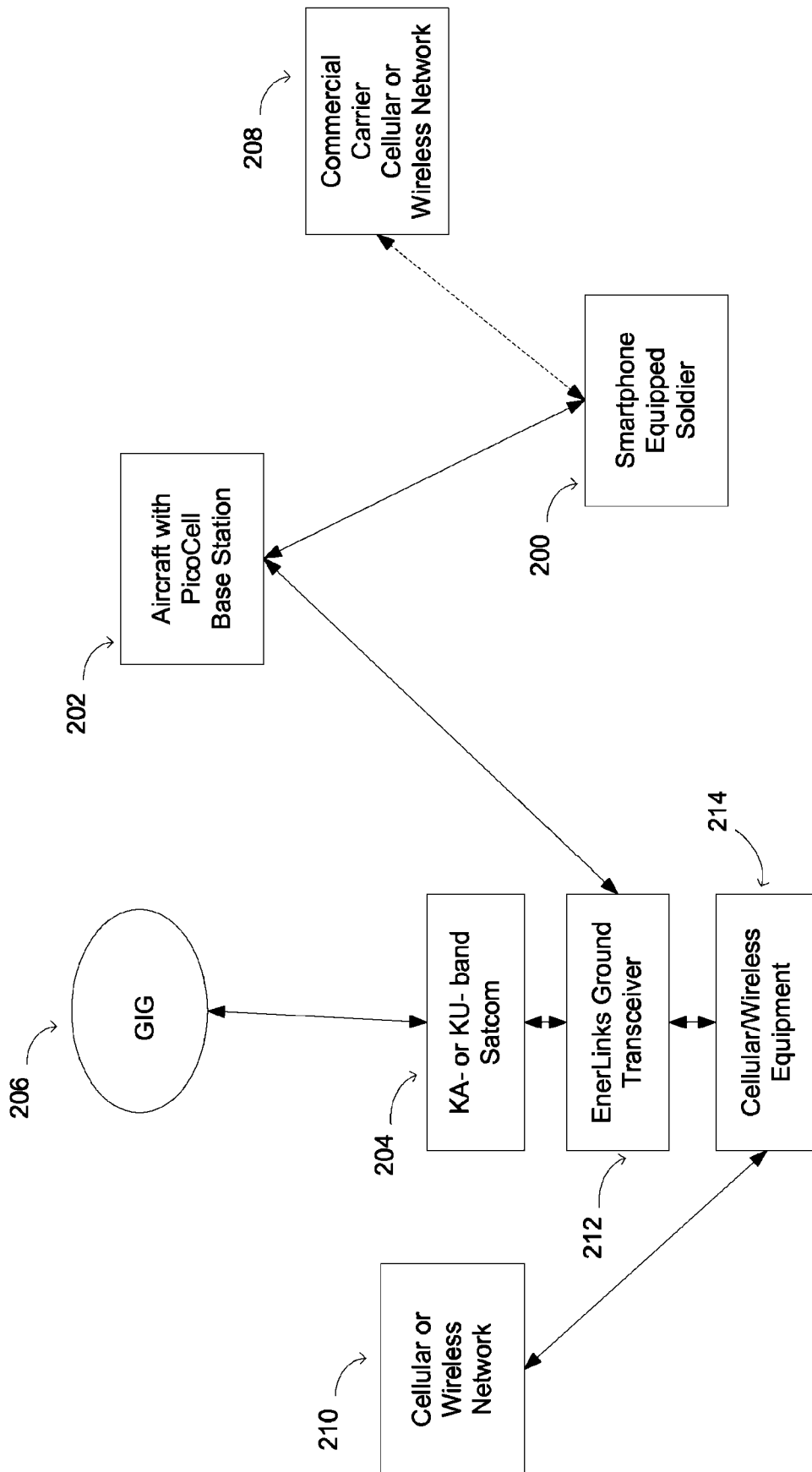


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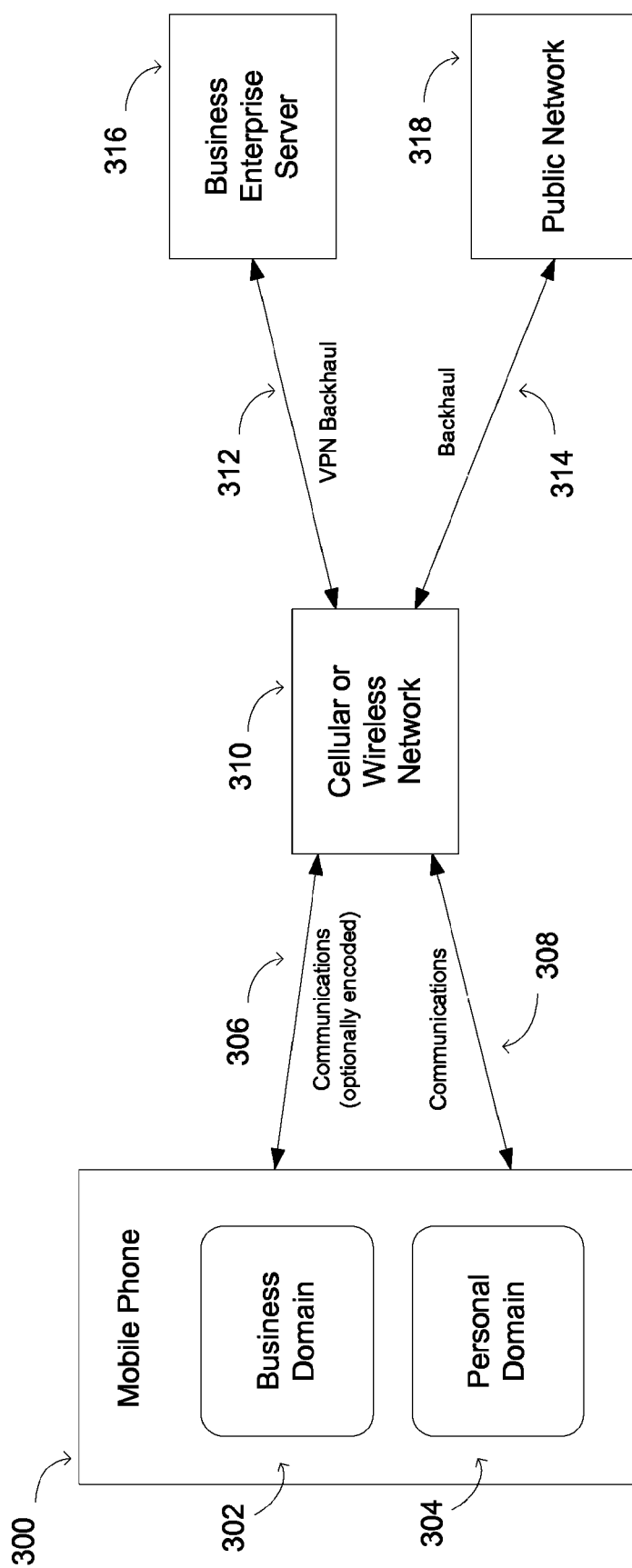


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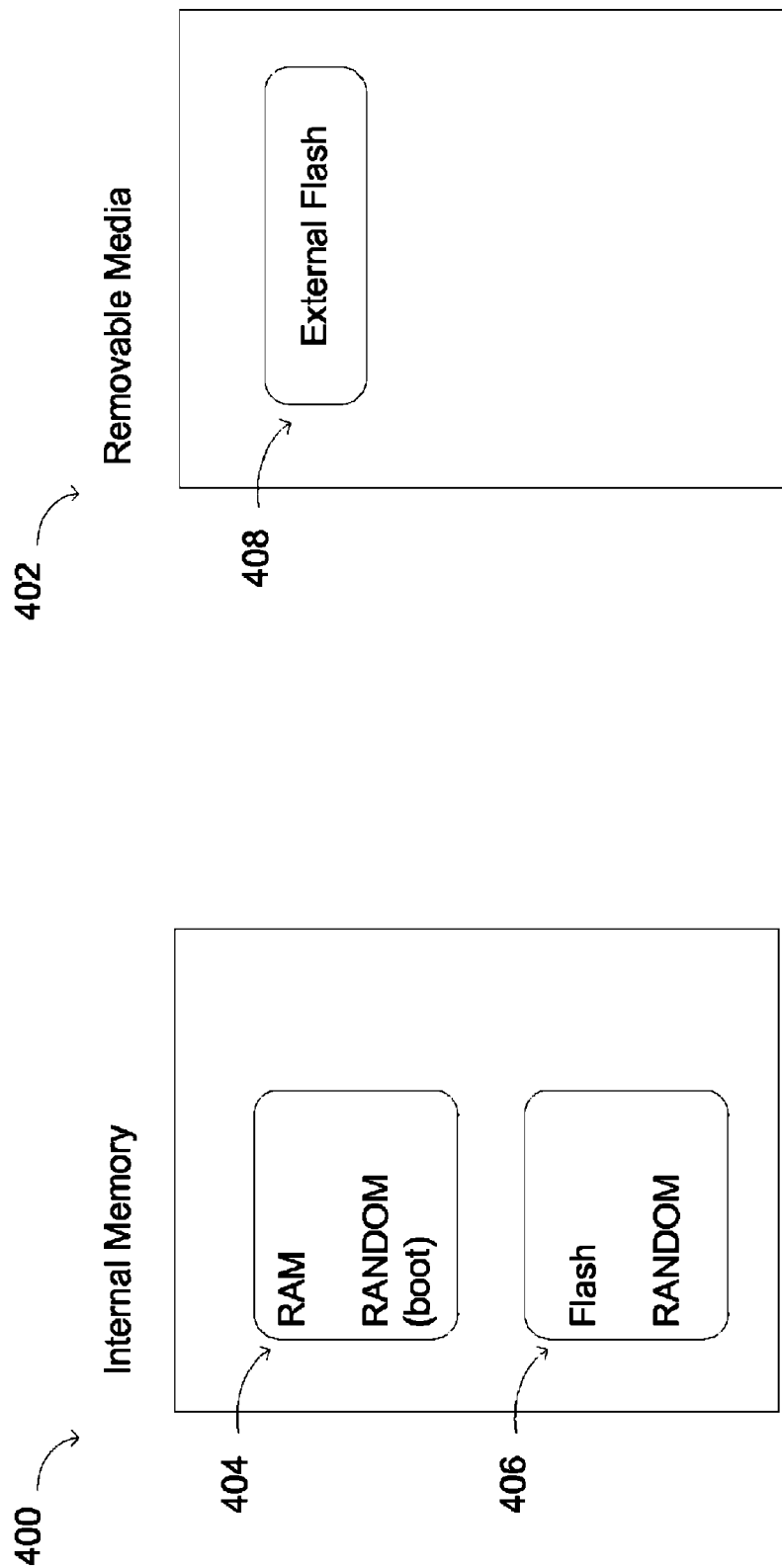


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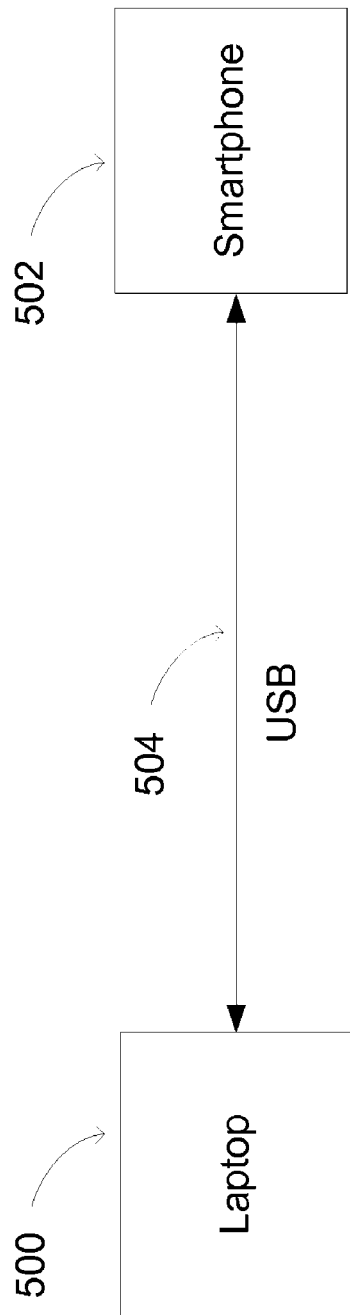


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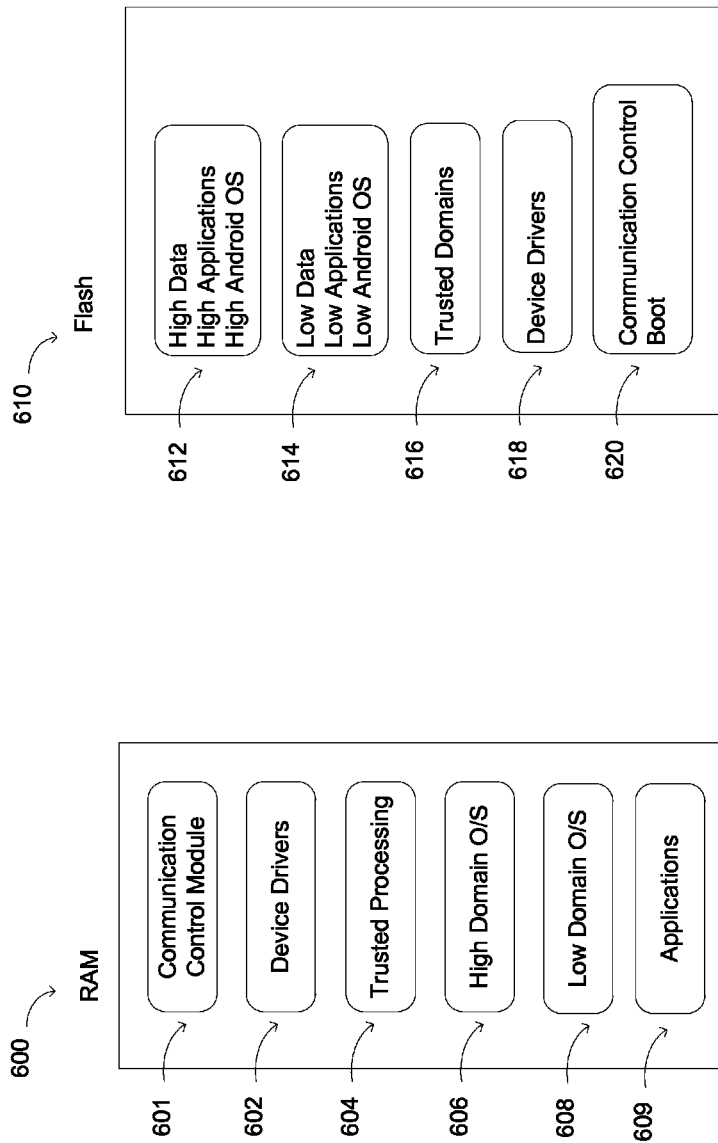


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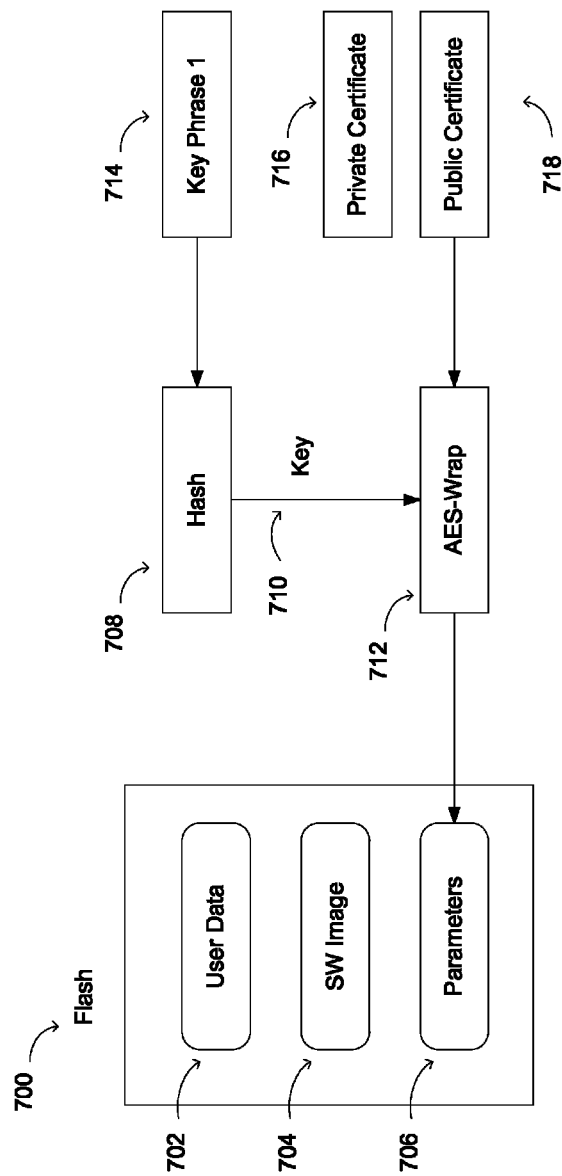


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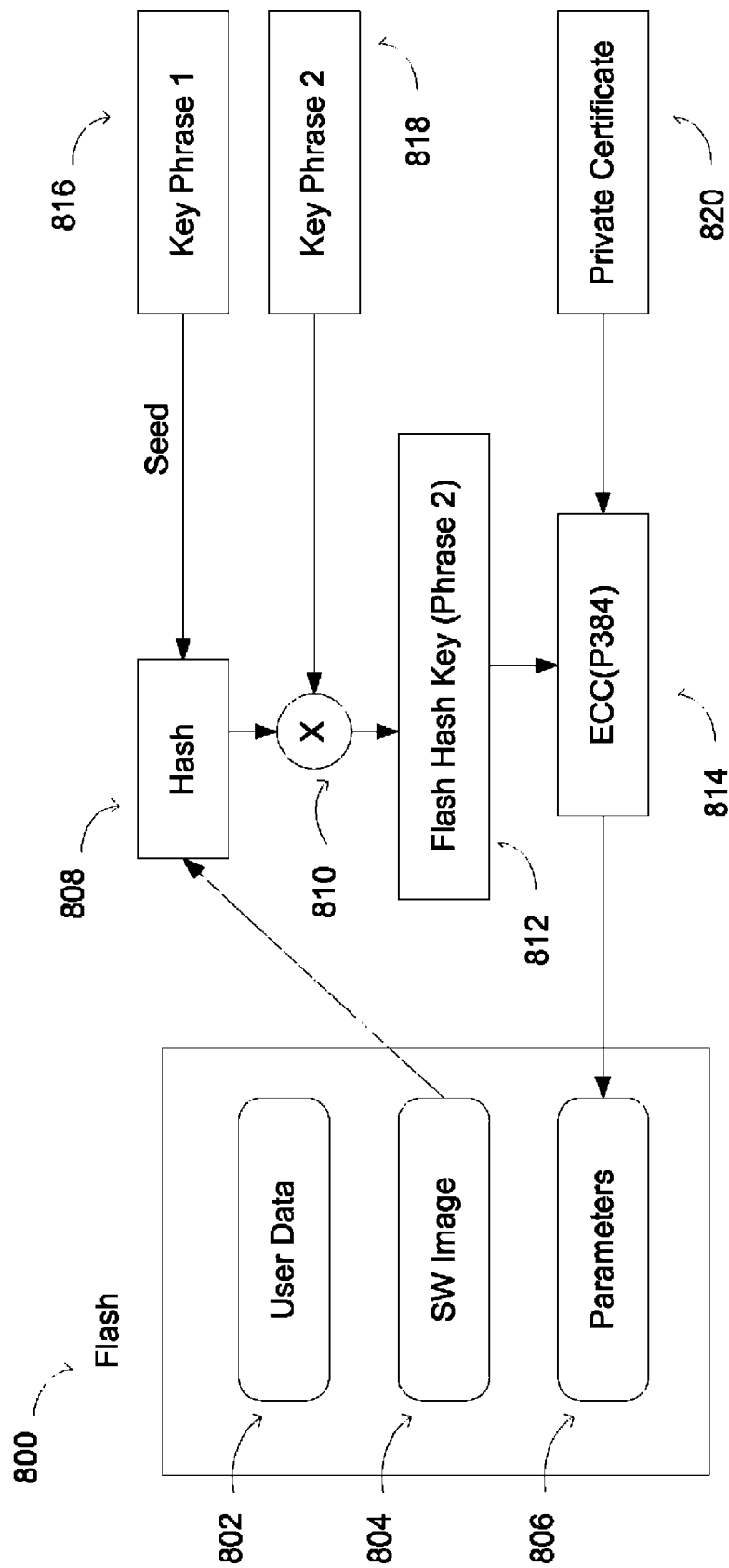


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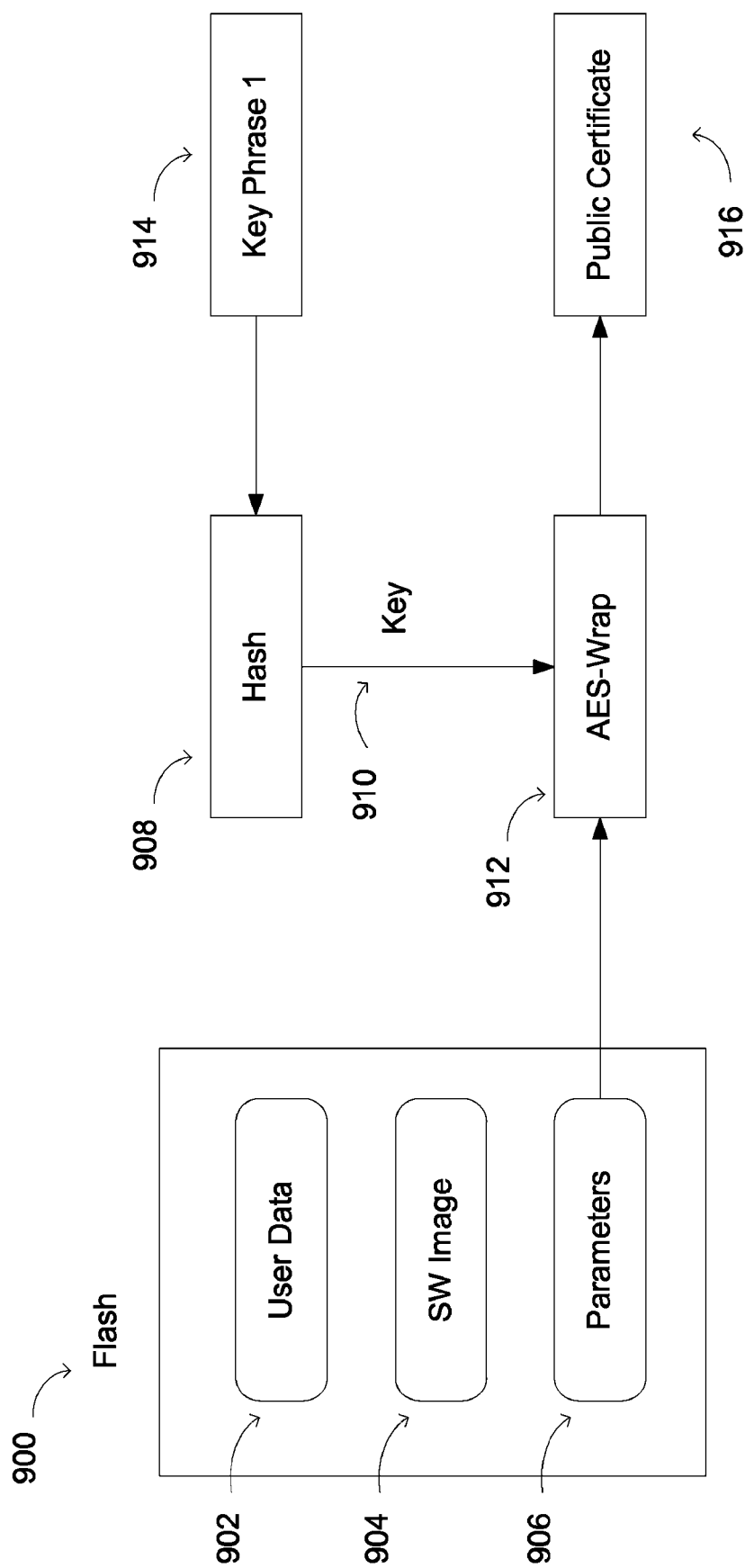


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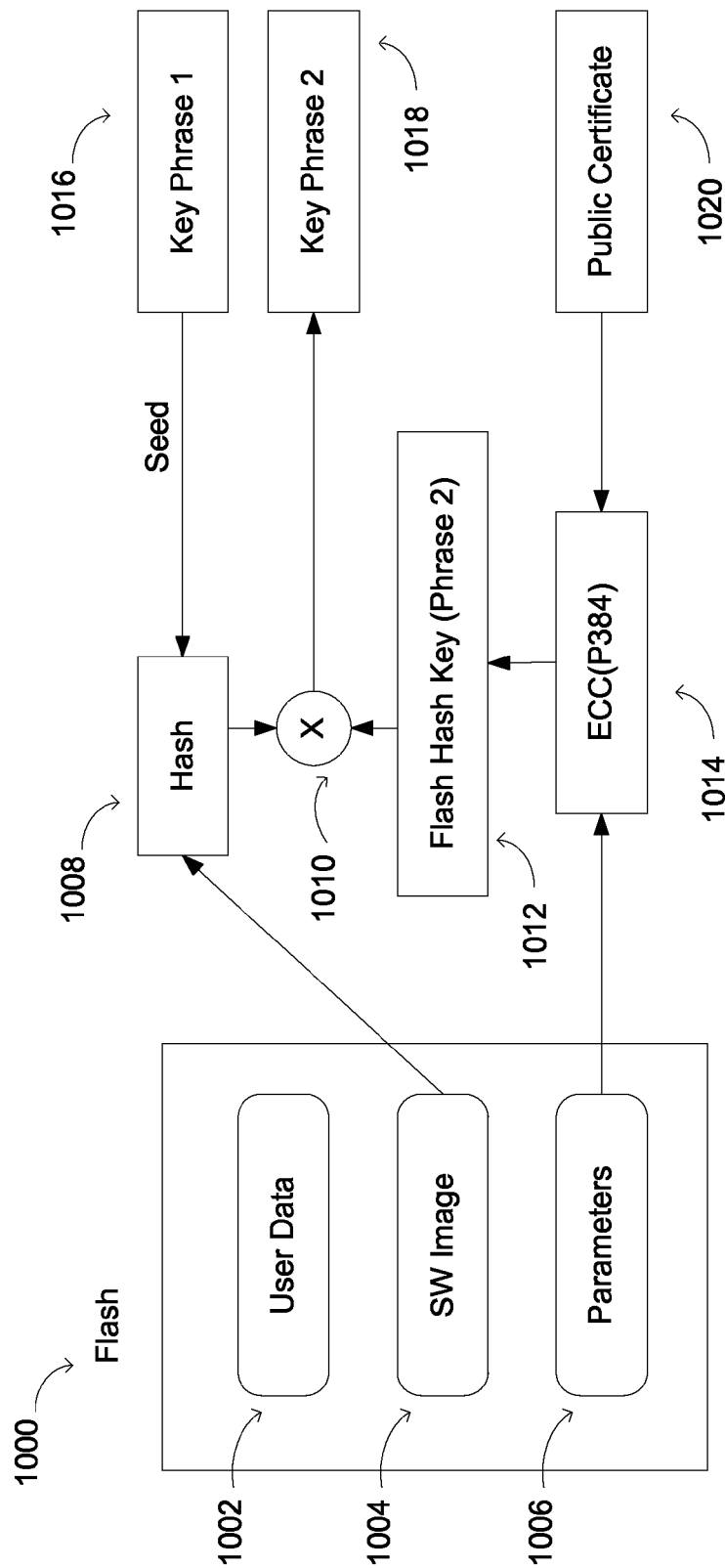


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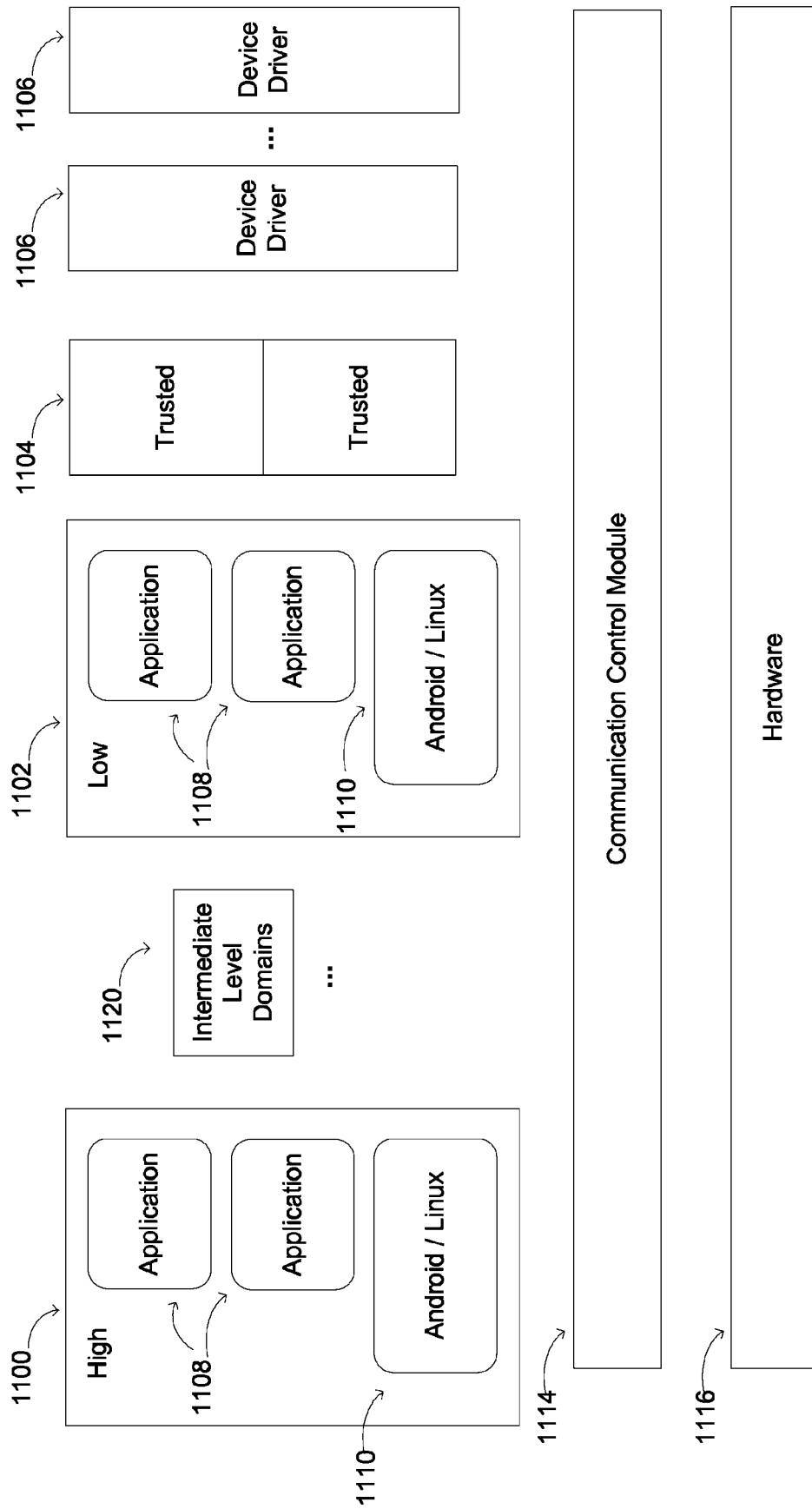


Fig. 11

Switched	Shared	Assigned Low	Assigned High
Speaker	Cell Data Network	USB	GPS
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Display	Flash Storage		
Keypad	Motion Gyros		
Touch Screen	Digital Compass		
Camera	Accelerometer		

Fig. 12

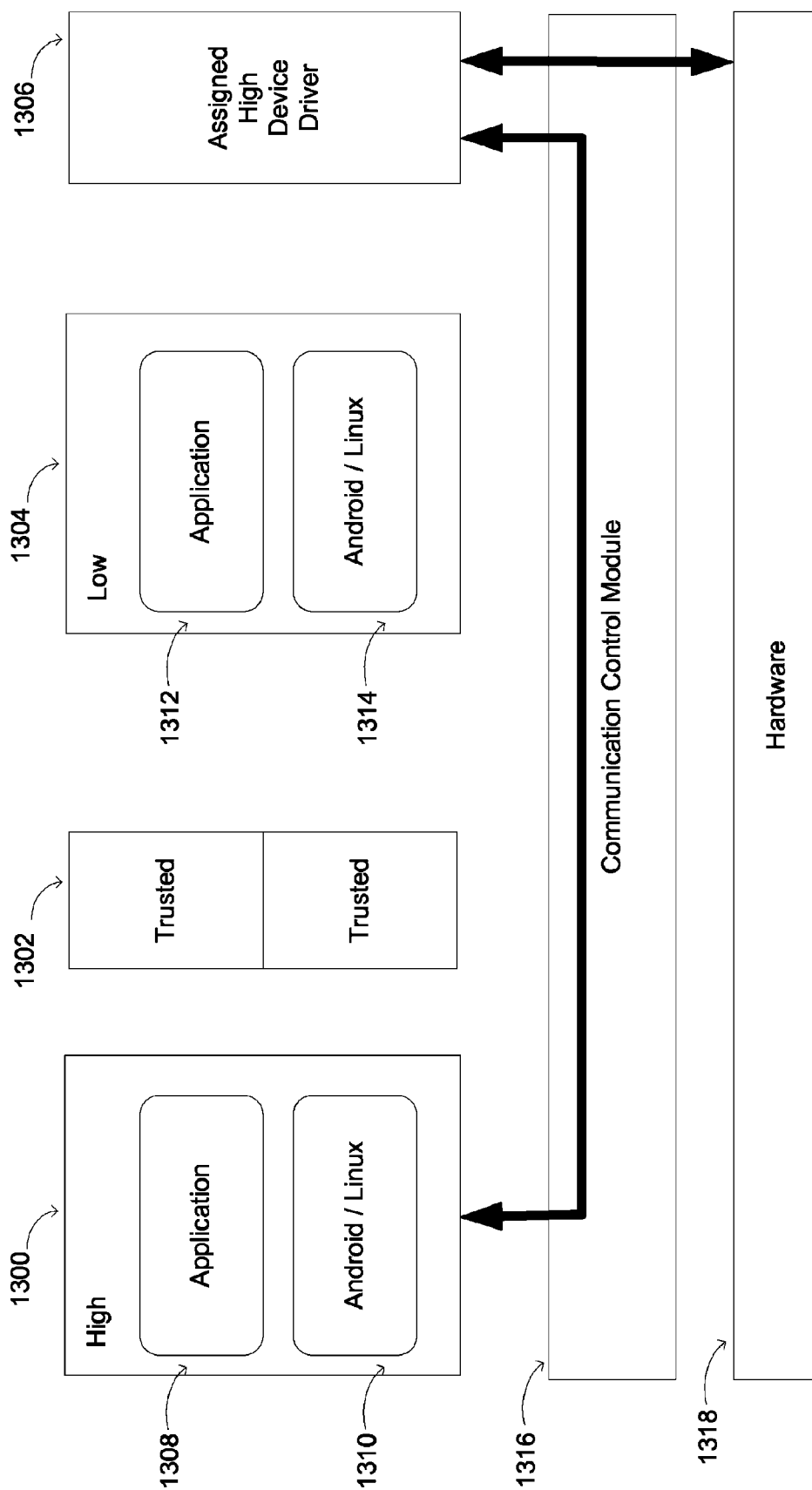


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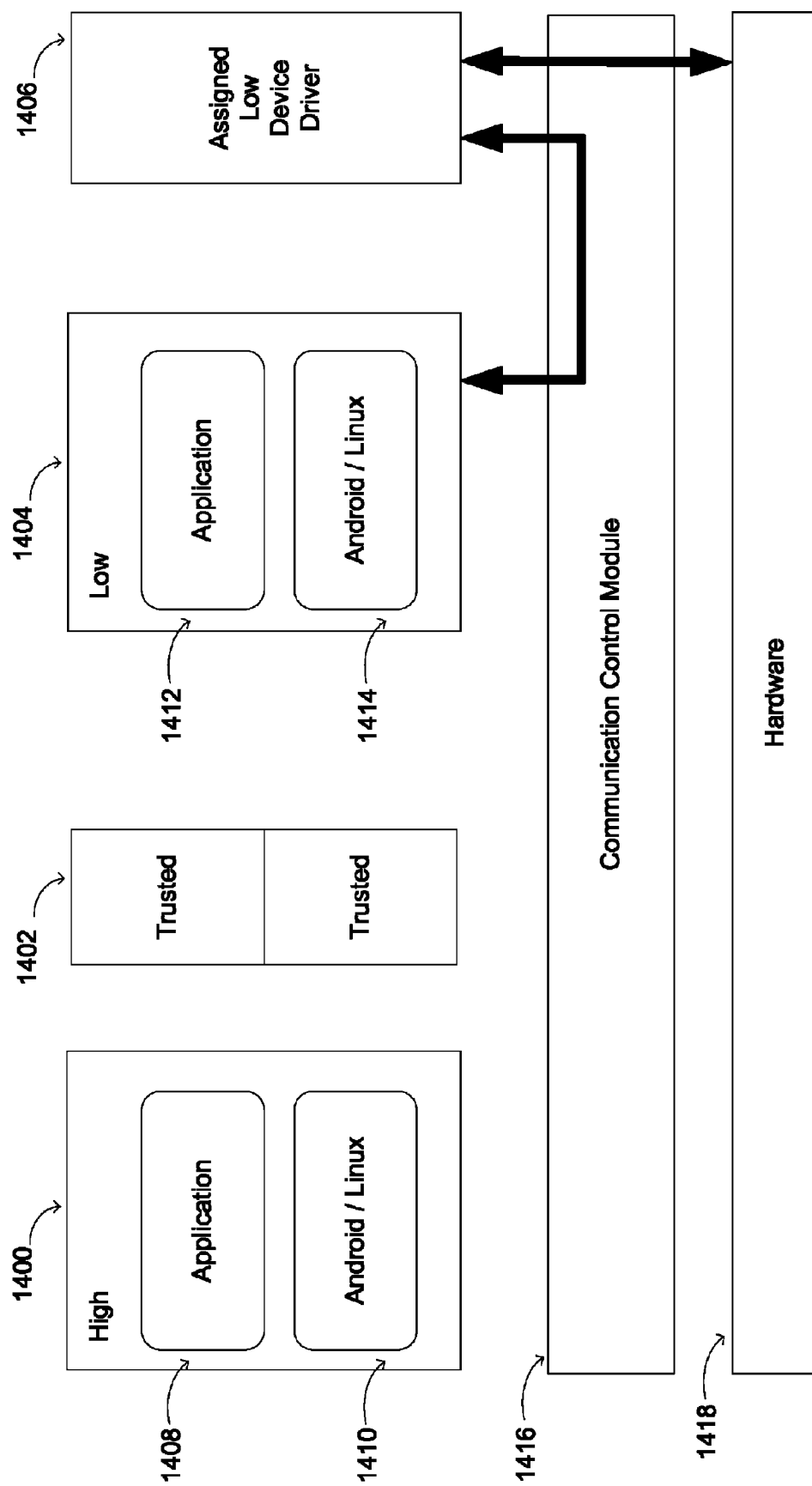


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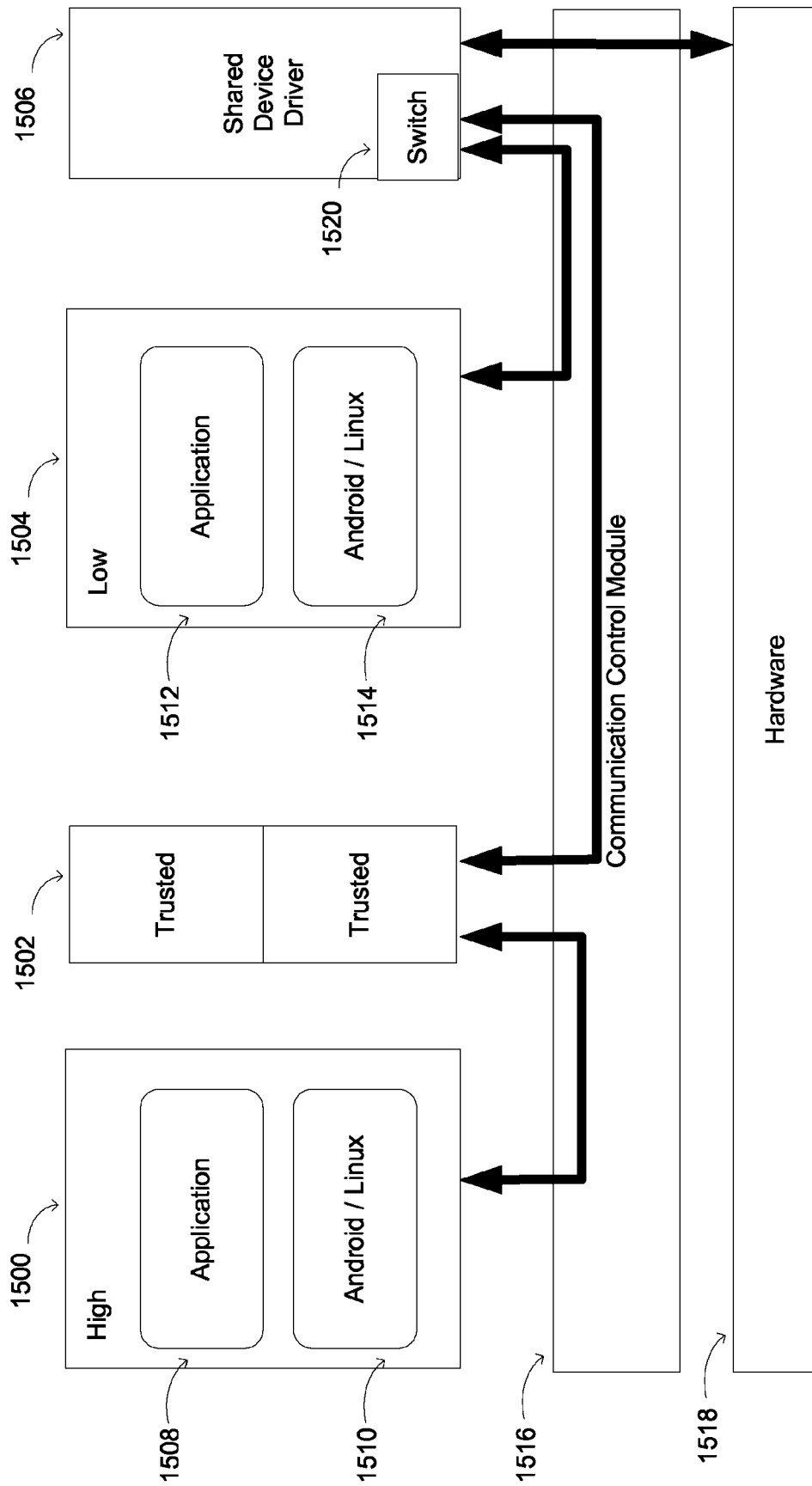


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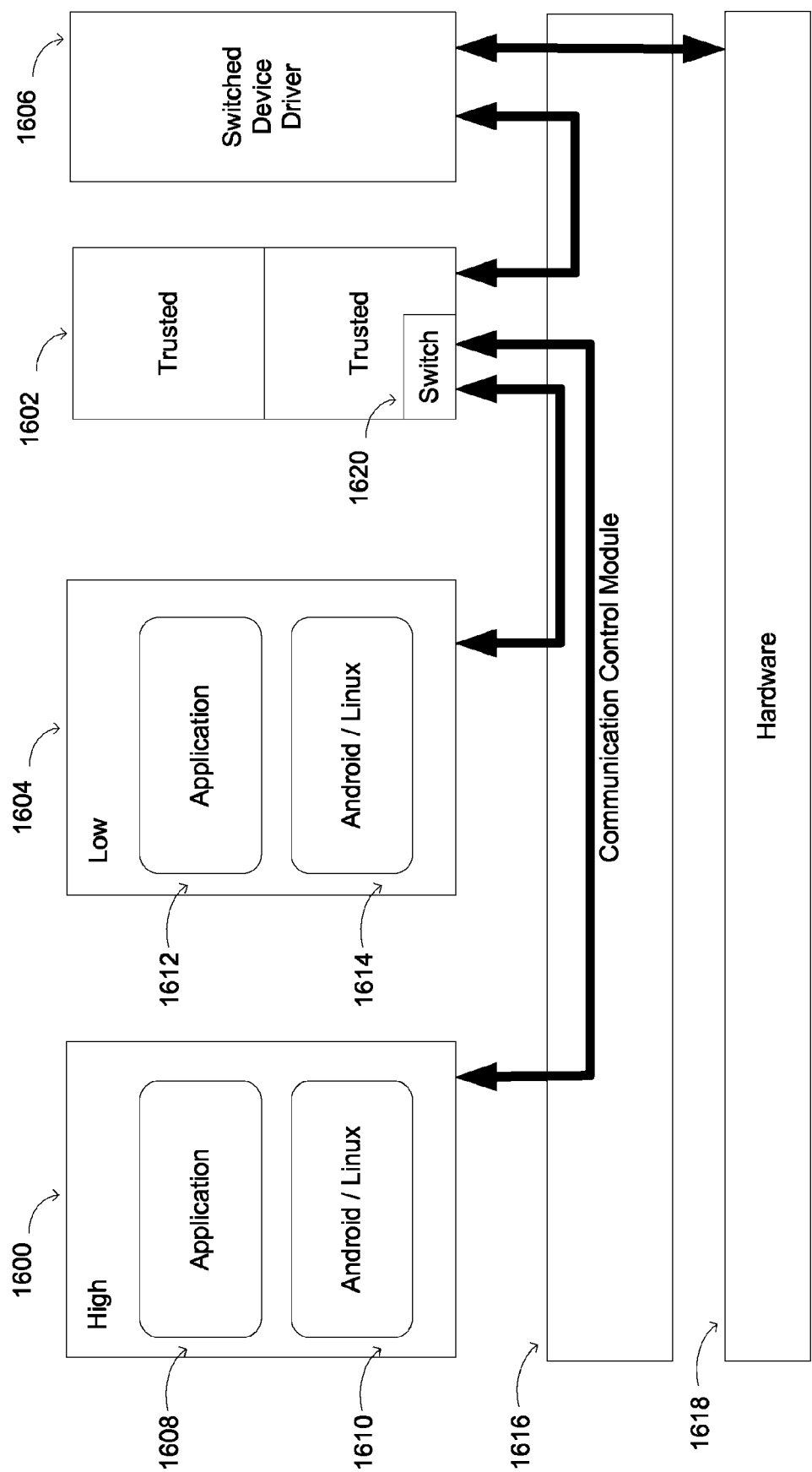


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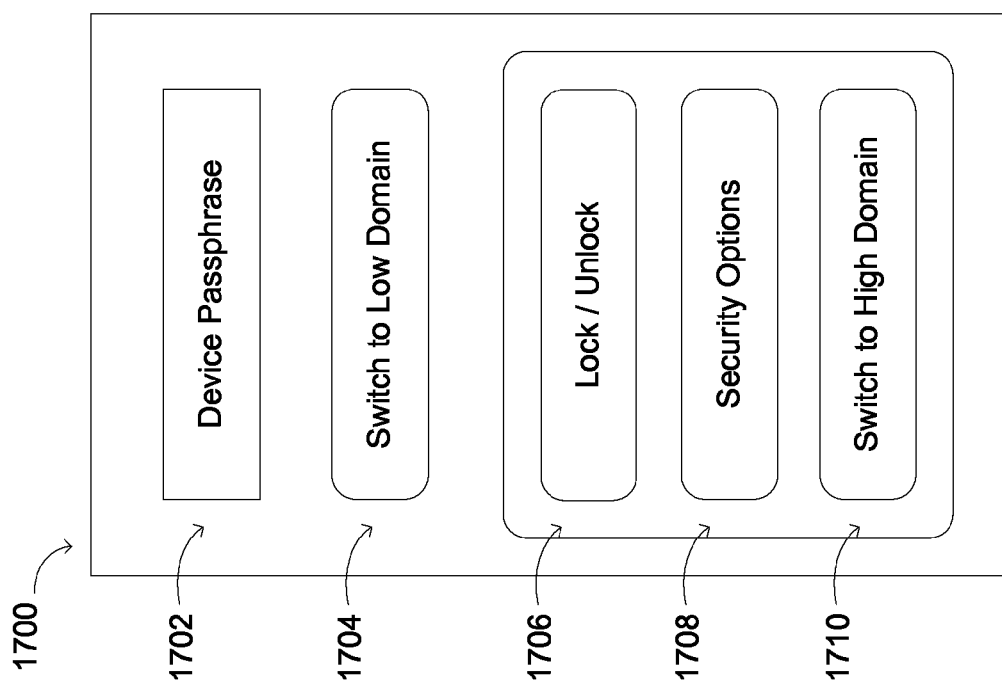


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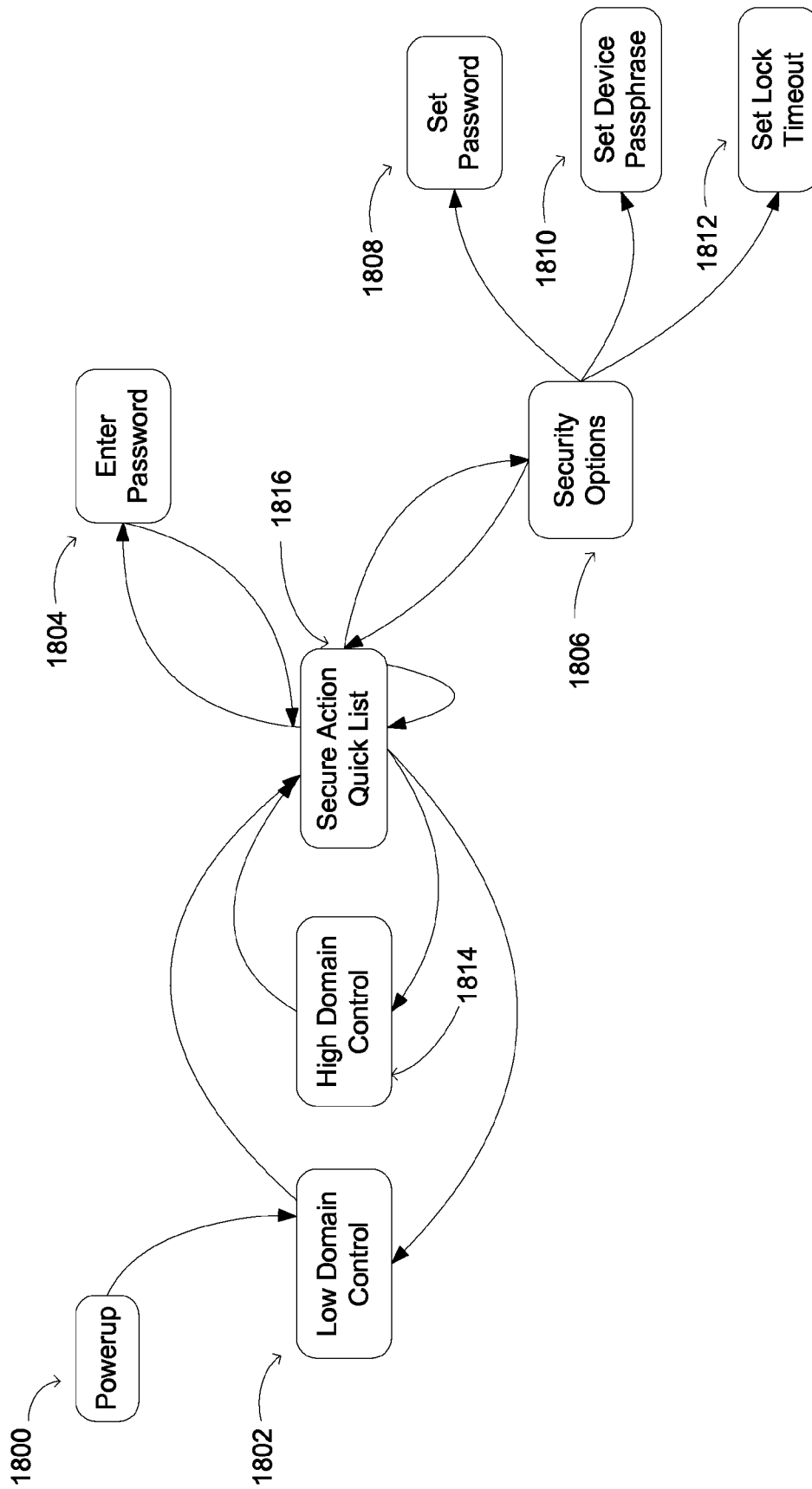
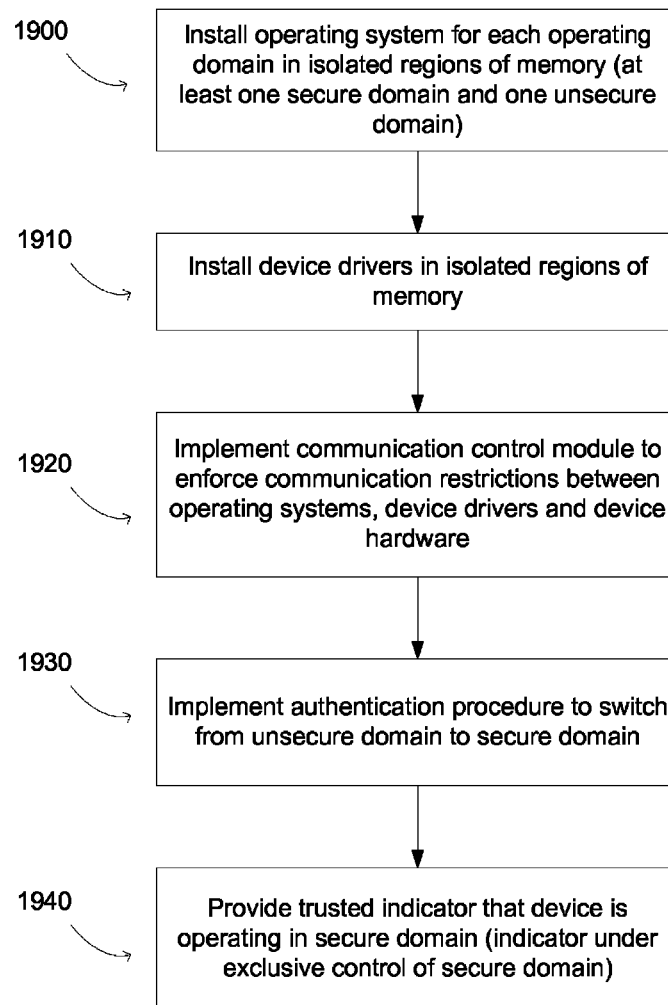
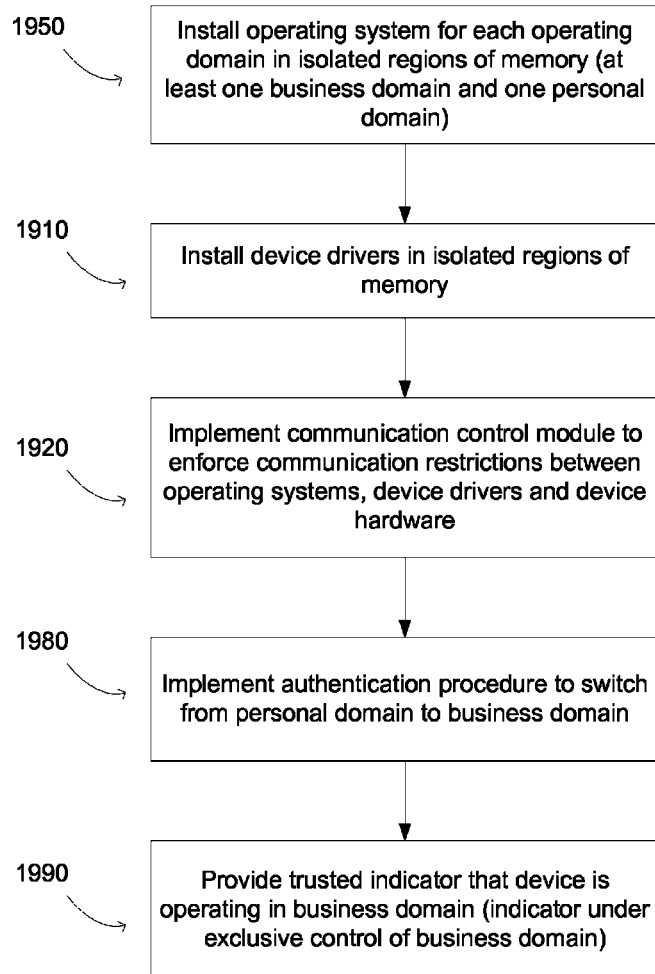


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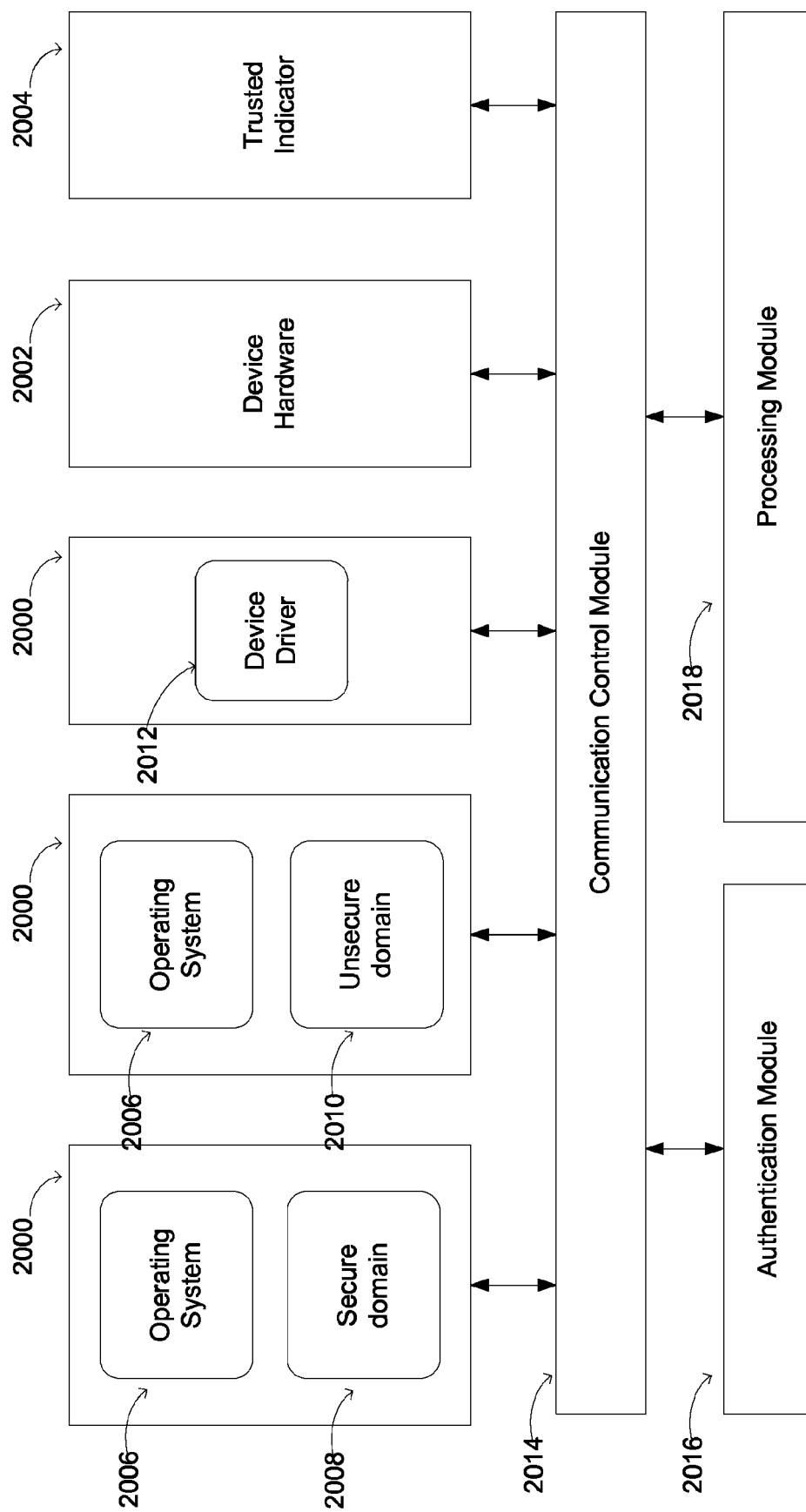


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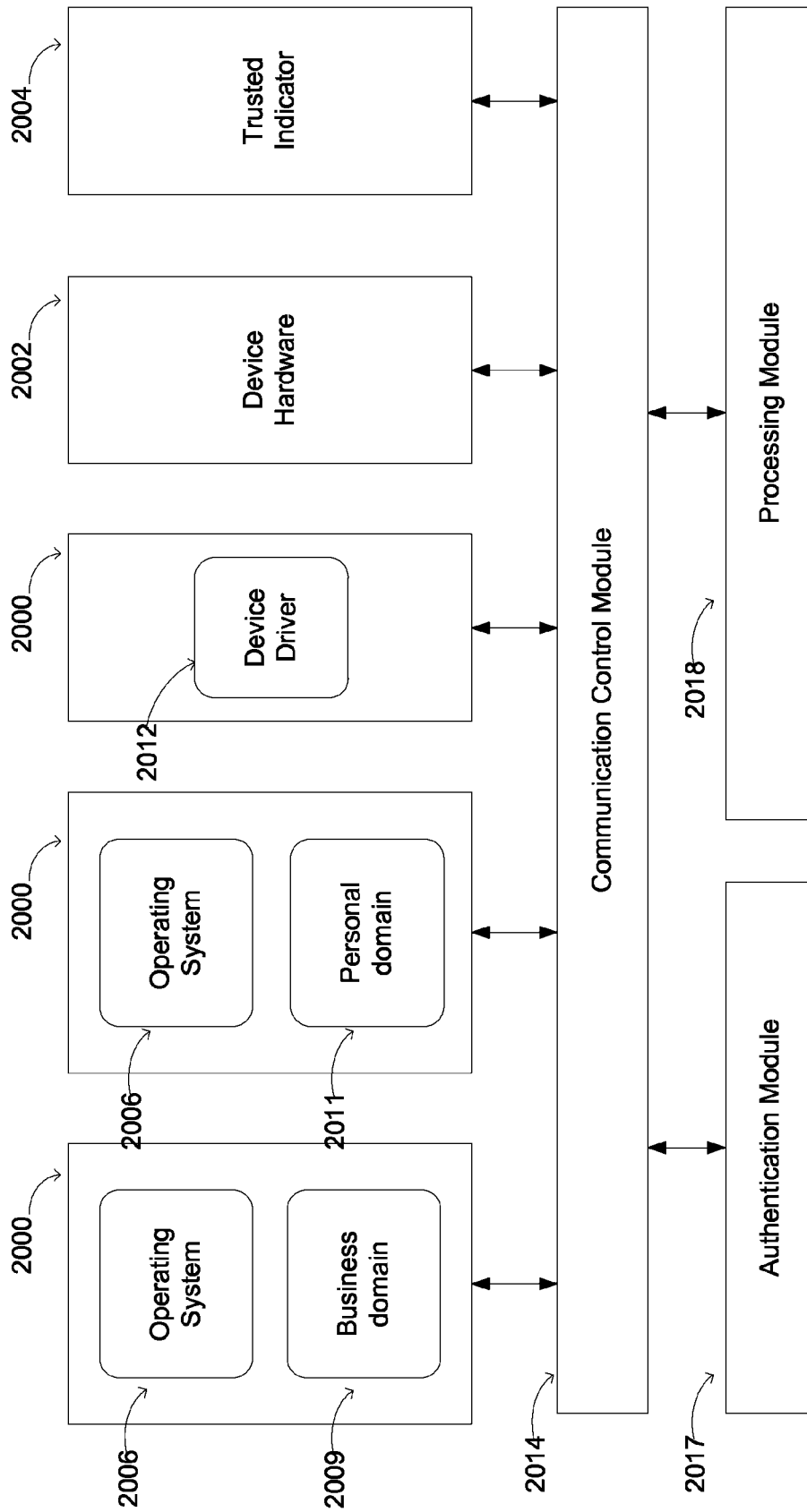
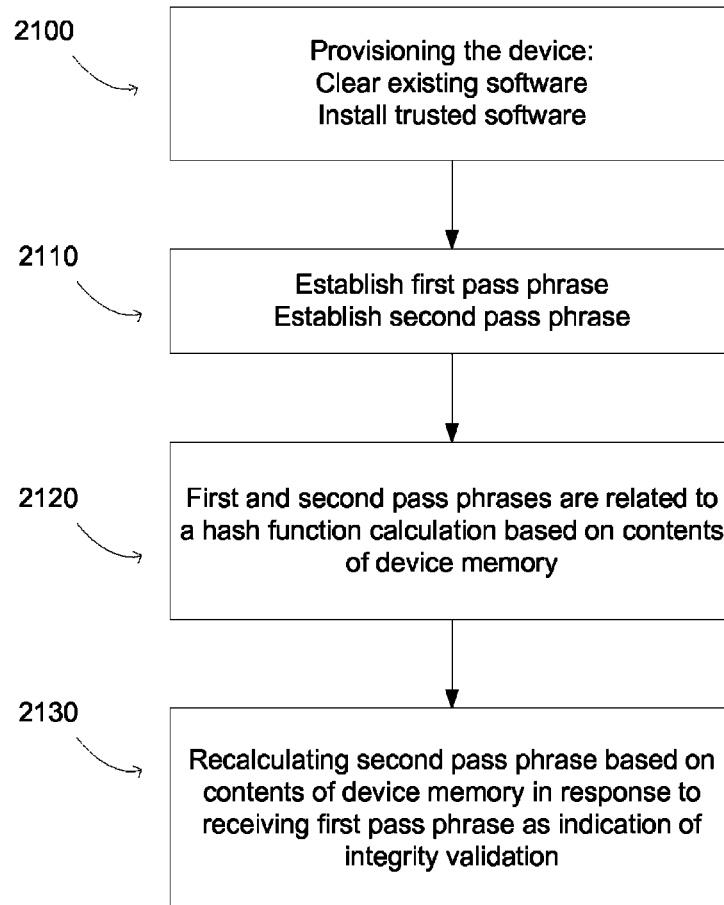


Fig. 20b

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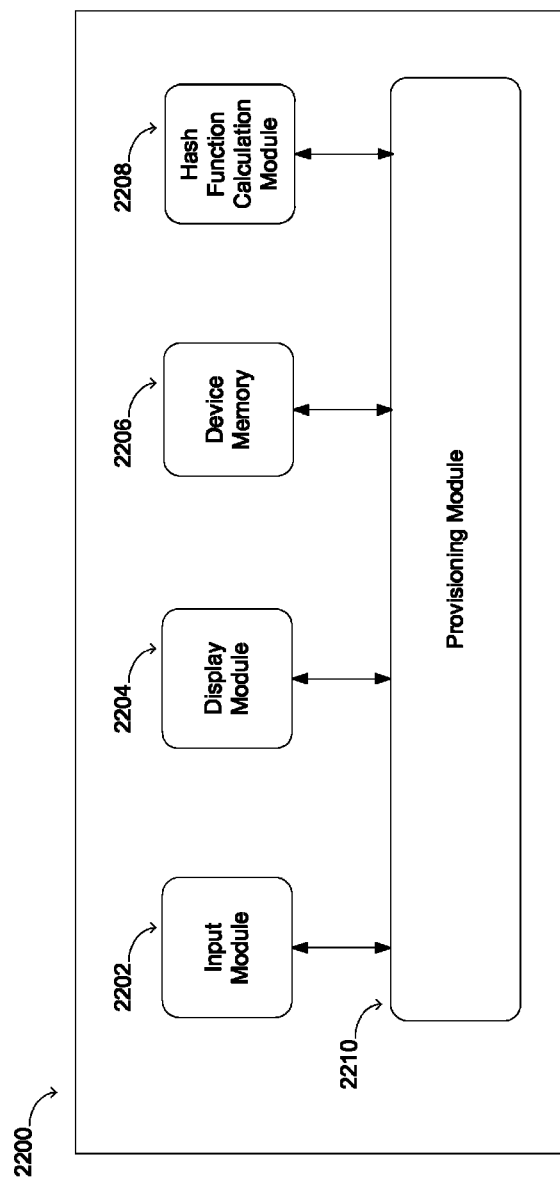
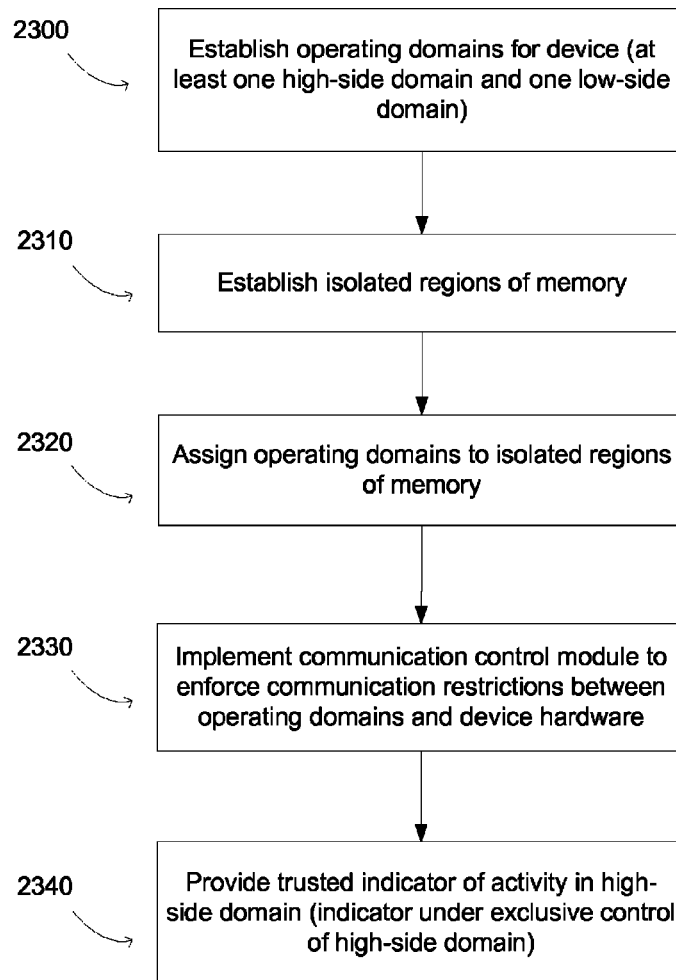


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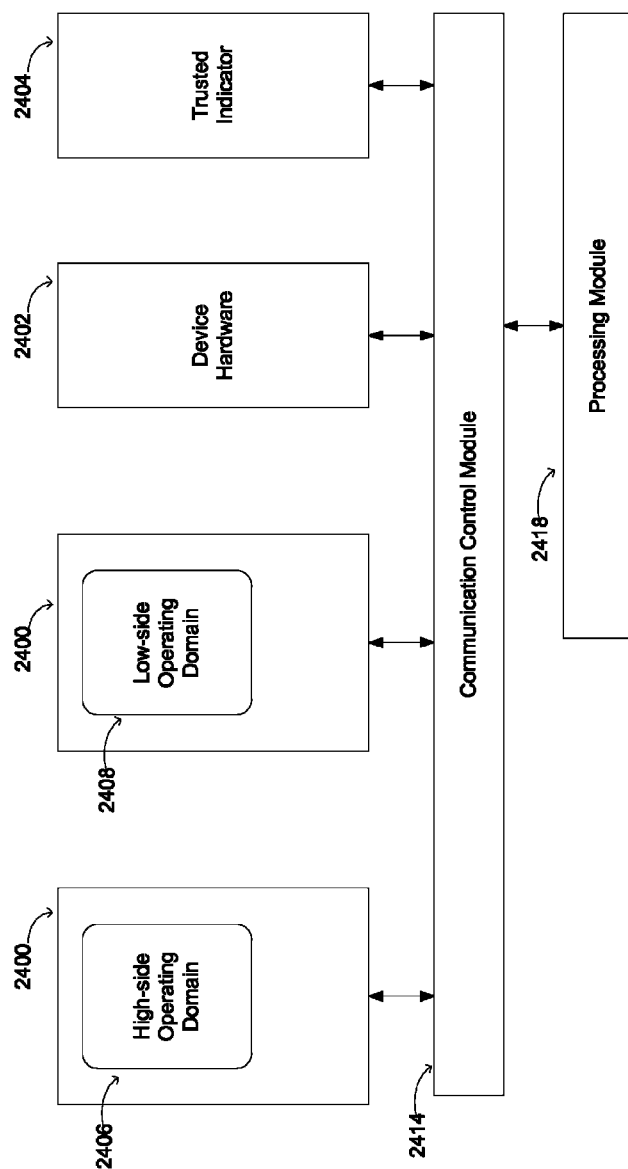


Fig. 24

MULTIPLE DOMAIN SMARTPHONE**CROSS-REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 12/896,748, filed Oct. 1, 2010. This application is also a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 12/896,770, filed Oct. 1, 2010. This application is also a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 13/649,027, filed Oct. 10, 2012, which is a continuation of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 13/476,920, filed May 21, 2012, now U.S. Pat. No. 8,301,119, which is a continuation of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 12/896,782, filed Oct. 1, 2010, now U.S. Pat. No. 8,204,480. This application is also a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 13/770,112, filed Feb. 19, 2013, which is a continuation of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 13/588,388, filed Aug. 17, 2012, now U.S. Pat. No. 8,412,175, which is a continuation of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 12/896,794, filed Oct. 1, 2010, now U.S. Pat. No. 8,270,963. The entire disclosure of each of the above-referenced applications is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates generally to mobile communication devices. More particularly, the present invention relates to methods and apparatus for providing mobile communication devices that operate in multiple isolated domains that provide differing levels of security and reliability.

BACKGROUND

Communication systems play an important role in government, business and personal settings, each with their own unique set of requirements that sometimes overlap and sometimes conflict. In government settings, there is often a need to handle sensitive communications in a secure manner and the communication devices need to be reliable and resistant to unauthorized modification. Traditionally this is accomplished with special purpose hardware and systems that can be very expensive to develop, deploy and maintain.

In business settings, a firm or business entity may wish to provide employees with cell phones to conduct business related transactions. The business entity might prefer to separate business use of the phone from personal use for a variety of reasons. These may include avoiding expenses incurred from personal calls, the potential embarrassment of having certain types of inappropriate personal use associated with the business entity, and the risk of downloading malware that might be embedded in applications freely available on the internet.

In personal settings, users would like to enjoy the freedom to make calls and download applications of any type without restrictions, while still knowing they can rely on the phone for business use even if problems arose as a result of personal use activity.

SUMMARY

What is needed, therefore, is the ability to modify or otherwise use an existing commercial off-the-shelf smartphone without hardware modification in a manner that provides multiple user domains, each with differing levels of security and reliability, and wherein each domain is isolated from the other.

A commercial off-the-shelf smartphone may be adapted through software modification techniques to provide multiple operating modes or domains that provide differing levels of security and reliability. According to one embodiment, the adaptation involves a provisioning process where previously installed software is cleared from the device and new trusted software is installed.

Each operating domain may be isolated from the others by confinement to an isolated region of memory. A communication control module enforces communication restrictions between domains by appropriately configuring a hardware memory management unit. Some domains are restricted to running applications that are signed or otherwise can only be provided from trusted sources. The communication control module may also enforce communication restrictions between software operating in the various domains and device drivers.

Techniques to detect unauthorized modification may also be provided wherein the device can verify the contents of memory through hash function calculations, cryptographic techniques and certificate challenges.

Cross domain activity notification may be provided through trusted indicators. A user operating in one domain may be notified of the arrival of email or an incoming phone call from another domain and given the opportunity to switch domains using appropriate access control methods to insure domain switching is not spoofed by unauthorized intrusion software or technique.

In accordance with an embodiment, a method for validating integrity of a mobile communication device may include provisioning the mobile communication device. The provisioning may comprise deleting existing software from the mobile communication device and installing trusted software on the mobile communication device. The method may also include installing an integrity verification application on the mobile communication device. The integrity verification application may comprise a list of expected signatures for data on the mobile communication device. The method may also include running the integrity verification application to validate the data based on the expected signatures and establishing a first pass indicator and a second pass indicator. Establishing the first pass indicator and the second pass indicator may include receiving a first instance of the first pass indicator, performing a first integrity check calculation on non-volatile memory of the mobile communication device using the first instance of the first pass indicator as a seed value to provide a first integrity check value, receiving the second pass indicator, splitting a parameter of the second pass indicator against the first integrity check value to provide a split of the second pass indicator, and storing the split of the second pass indicator in the non-volatile memory of the mobile communication device. The method may also include receiving a second instance of the first pass indicator as a challenge for verification. In response to receiving the second instance of the first pass indicator, a second integrity check calculation on the non-volatile memory of the mobile communication device may be performed using the second instance of the first pass indicator as a seed value to provide a second integrity check value, the second pass indicator may be determined based on the split of the second pass indicator and the second integrity check value, and the second pass indicator may be displayed as an indication of the integrity.

In an embodiment, the second pass indicator is displayed in response to receiving the second instance of the first pass indicator during operation or at power up of the mobile communication device.

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In another embodiment, the provisioning may include deleting all existing software from the mobile communication device. The provisioning may be performed in a location that is shielded from WiFi or other remote or local access other than the provisioning.

In another embodiment, the list of expected signatures comprises binary executables.

In another embodiment, establishing the first pass indicator and the second pass indicator may include receiving a private certificate and a public certificate, encrypting the public certificate to provide an encrypted public certificate, storing the encrypted public certificate in the non-volatile memory of the mobile communication device, and encrypting the split of the second pass indicator using the private certificate before storing the split of the second pass indicator in the non-volatile memory of the mobile communication device. Determining the second pass indicator based on the split of the second pass indicator and the second integrity check value may include decrypting the encrypted public certificate and decrypting the split of the second pass indicator using the public certificate.

In another embodiment, the first integrity check value and the second integrity check value include at least one of a hash or a digital signature.

In yet another embodiment, at least one of the first pass indicator or the second pass indicator include a text-based key phrase.

In accordance with another embodiment, a mobile communication device may include a provisioning module configured to provision the mobile communication device. The provisioning may comprise deleting existing software from the mobile communication device and installing trusted software on the mobile communication device. The mobile communication device may also include a first integrity verification application comprising a list of expected signatures for data on the mobile communication device and an initialization module configured to establish a first pass indicator and a second pass indicator. The initialization module may include an input module configured to receive the first pass indicator and the second pass indicator, a first integrity check calculation module configured to calculate a first integrity check on non-volatile memory of the mobile communication device using the first pass indicator as a seed value to provide a first integrity check value, a splitting module configured to split a parameter of the second pass indicator against the first integrity check value to provide a split of the second pass indicator, and a storing module configured to store the split of the second pass indicator in the non-volatile memory of the mobile communication device. The mobile communication device may also include a second integrity verification module configured to receive the first pass indicator as a challenge for verification. The second integrity verification module may include a second integrity check calculation module configured to calculate a second integrity check on the non-volatile memory of the mobile communication device using the first pass indicator as a seed value to provide a second integrity check value, a determining module configured to determine the second pass indicator based on the split of the second pass indicator and the second integrity check value, and a display module configured to display the second pass indicator as an indication of integrity.

In accordance with yet another embodiment, a method for validating a mobile communication device may include deleting existing software from the mobile communication device and installing trusted software on the mobile communication device. The method may also include installing an integrity verification application on the mobile communication device. The integrity verification application may include a list of

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expected signatures for data on the mobile communication device. The method may also include establishing a first pass indicator and a second pass indicator. Establishing the first pass indicator and the second pass indicator may include receiving the first pass indicator, performing a first integrity check calculation on non-volatile memory of the mobile communication device using the first pass indicator as a seed value to provide a first integrity check value, receiving the second pass indicator, splitting a parameter of the second pass indicator against the first integrity check value to provide a split of the second pass indicator, and storing the split of the second pass indicator in the non-volatile memory of the mobile communication device. The method may also include receiving a second instance of the first pass indicator as a challenge for verification. In response to receiving the second instance of the first pass indicator, the method may include performing a second integrity check calculation on the non-volatile memory of the mobile communication device to provide a second integrity check value, determining the second pass indicator based on the split of the second pass indicator and the second integrity check value, and displaying the second pass indicator as an indication of integrity.

In accordance with an embodiment, a method for a mobile communication device to indicate activity associated with an operating domain may include establishing a plurality of operating domains for the mobile communication device each operating as an independent virtual machine. At least one of the operating domains may be a high-side domain and at least one of the operating domains may be a low-side domain. The method may also include providing a trusted indicator at the mobile communication device for indicating activity associated with the high-side domain. The activity may include at least one of an incoming call, an incoming text, or a new email message. The trusted indicator may be configured to activate a user notification to indicate the activity. The method may also include providing an input on the mobile communication device for switching from the low-side domain to the high-side domain. The input may be configured as an input only device that is activated by user input. The method may also include providing a trusted element for the mobile communication device that is independent of either the high-side domain or the low-side domain. The trusted element may be configured to receive a signal from the input for switching from the low-side domain to the high-side domain and to perform user authentication for switching from the low-side domain to the high-side domain. The user authentication may include providing output authentication information from the trusted element to an output device and receiving input authentication information at the trusted element from an input device.

In an embodiment, the user notification activated by the trusted indicator is a light emitting diode (LED) on the mobile communication device.

In another embodiment, the input on the mobile communication device for switching from the low-side domain to the high-side domain may include a hard-key press.

In another embodiment, the trusted element controls a keypad and a display of the mobile communication device during user authentication.

In another embodiment, the output authentication information is provided from the trusted element to a display of the mobile communication device.

In yet another embodiment, the input authentication information is received at the trusted element from a keypad of the mobile communication device.

In accordance with another embodiment, a mobile communication device may include a processing module config-

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ured to run in a plurality of operating domains. Each operating domain may be configured as an independent virtual machine. At least one of the operating domains may be a high-side domain and at least one of the operating domains may be a low-side domain. The mobile communication device may also include a trusted indicator to provide an indication of activity associated with the high-side domain. The activity may include at least one of an incoming call, and incoming text message, or a new email message. The trusted indicator may be configured to activate a user notification to indicate the activity. The mobile communication device may also include an input for switching between the low-side domain and the high-side domain. The input may be configured as an input only device that is activated by user input. The mobile communication device may also include a trusted element that is independent of either the high-side domain or the low-side domain. The trusted element may be configured to receive a signal from the input for switching between the low-side domain and the high-side domain and to perform user authentication for switching from the low-side domain to the high-side domain. The user authentication may include providing output authentication information from the trusted element to an output device and receiving input authentication information at the trusted element from an input device.

In accordance with yet another embodiment, a method for switching between domains of a mobile communication device may include providing a mobile communication device having a plurality of operating domains each operating as an independent virtual machine. At least one of the operating domains may be a high-side domain and at least one of the operating domains may be a low-side domain. The method may also include providing a trusted indicator at the mobile communication device to indicate activity associated with the high-side domain. The trusted indicator may indicate at least one of an incoming call, an incoming text, or a new email message directed to the high-side domain. The activity may be indicated by activating a user notification. The method may also include providing an input on the mobile communication device for switching from the low-side domain to the high-side domain. The input may be configured as an input only device that is activated by user input. The method may also include providing a trusted element within the mobile communication device that is independent of either the high-side domain or the low-side domain. The trusted element may be configured to receive a signal from the input for switching from the low-side domain to the high-side domain and to perform user authentication for switching from the low-side domain to the high-side domain. The user authentication may include providing output authentication information from the trusted element to an output device and receiving input authentication information at the trusted element from an input device.

Other objects, features, and advantages of the present invention will become apparent upon consideration of the following detailed description and the accompanying drawings

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

FIG. 1 is a block diagram illustrating a smartphone used in a government application.

FIG. 2 is a block diagram illustrating a smartphone fielded in a government application.

FIG. 3 is a block diagram illustrating a smartphone used in a commercial application.

FIG. 4 is a block diagram illustrating an exemplary embodiment of the memory components of a smartphone.

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FIG. 5 illustrates a smartphone connected to a laptop computer.

FIG. 6 illustrates an exemplary embodiment of a memory layout for a smartphone.

FIG. 7 is a block diagram illustrating the first part of an initialization phase for detection of unauthorized modification in accordance with an embodiment.

FIG. 8 is a block diagram illustrating the second part of an initialization phase for detection of unauthorized modification in accordance with an embodiment.

FIG. 9 is a block diagram illustrating the first part of a verification phase for detection of unauthorized modification in accordance with an embodiment.

FIG. 10 is a block diagram illustrating the second part of a verification phase for detection of unauthorized modification in accordance with an embodiment.

FIG. 11 is a block diagram illustrating isolated domains within a smartphone in accordance with an embodiment.

FIG. 12 is a table listing categories of device drivers in accordance with an embodiment.

FIG. 13 is a block diagram illustrating communication with "assigned high" device drivers in accordance with an embodiment.

FIG. 14 is a block diagram illustrating communication with "assigned low" device drivers in accordance with an embodiment.

FIG. 15 is a block diagram illustrating communication with "shared" device drivers in accordance with an embodiment.

FIG. 16 is a block diagram illustrating communication with "switched" device drivers in accordance with an embodiment.

FIG. 17 illustrates an exemplary embodiment of a user interface display for access control, domain switching and security parameter configuration.

FIG. 18 illustrates a state diagram showing access control, domain switching and security parameter configuration in accordance with an embodiment.

FIG. 19a illustrates a procedure for modifying an existing mobile communication device to operate in multiple domains in accordance with some embodiments.

FIG. 19b illustrates an alternative procedure for modifying an existing mobile communication device to operate in multiple domains in accordance with some embodiments.

FIG. 20a illustrates a functional block diagram of a mobile communication device configured to operate in multiple domains in accordance with some embodiments.

FIG. 20b illustrates an alternative functional block diagram of a mobile communication device configured to operate in multiple domains in accordance with some embodiments.

FIG. 21 illustrates a procedure for validating the integrity of a mobile communication device in accordance with some embodiments.

FIG. 22 illustrates a functional block diagram of a mobile communication device configured to provide integrity validation.

FIG. 23 illustrates a procedure for indicating activity across operating domains of a mobile communication device in accordance with some embodiments.

FIG. 24 illustrates a functional block diagram of a mobile communication device configured to operate in multiple domains in accordance with some embodiments.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

As described herein, a multiple domain smartphone provides different levels of security and stability in different domains depending on the usage context and provides an

efficient and convenient way to switch between the domains without sacrificing security and stability. In an embodiment, this capability can be provided using a commercial off-the-shelf (COTS) smartphone with only software modifications. The software modifications are intended to provide “secure” software, by which is meant that the quality and integrity of the software and its execution environment may provide a basis for trusting its behavior.

A multiple domain smartphone according to embodiments described herein provides many benefits. It should be understood that a viable system need not include all of the features described herein and is susceptible to various modifications and alternative forms.

One embodiment is described with reference to FIG. 1, which shows a simplified diagram of a secure smartphone in a government application. In FIG. 1, a mobile phone 100 may be operated in a secure domain 102 or an unsecure domain 104. The mobile phone 100 may be, for example, an Android™ smartphone or any suitable commercially available smartphone. In secure domain 102, communications 106 between mobile phone 100 and Cellular or Wireless Network 110 may be encrypted. In unsecure domain 104, communications 108 between mobile phone 100 and Cellular or Wireless Network 110 may be open. Cellular or Wireless Network 110 may then communicate to either a secure server 116 over a secure backhaul 112 or to an unsecure server 118 over an open backhaul 114.

Secure server 116 may provide services including Virtual Private Network (VPN), secure Voice over IP (VoIP), secure email, secure video and secure Situational Awareness and inventory.

Unsecure server 118 may provide services including web/internet access, VoIP, email, video and Situational Awareness and inventory.

FIG. 2 illustrates a real world application of the secure smartphone as it may be used on a battlefield. Smartphone equipped soldiers 200 may communicate in a secure domain to a manned or unmanned aircraft equipped with a picocell base station 202 which may then relay the communication to a Ka-band or Ku-band satellite communications unit 204 through an EnerLinks™ ground transceiver 212. The satellite communications unit 204 then relays the communications to a global information grid (GIG) 206. Alternatively, the EnerLinks™ ground transceiver 212 could relay the communication to cellular/wireless equipment 214 which may then relay the communication to a cellular or wireless network 210. The smartphone equipped soldiers 200 may also switch to an unsecure domain to communicate through a cellular or wireless network 208 operated by a commercial carrier in a nearby town. Use of a smartphone in this manner may provide greater network throughput at a fraction of the cost of traditional tactical radios.

An alternative embodiment is described with reference to FIG. 3, which shows a simplified diagram of a multi-domain smartphone in a commercial application. In FIG. 3, a mobile phone 300 may be operated in a business domain 302 or a personal domain 304. In business domain 302, communications 306 between mobile phone 300 and cellular or wireless network 310 may optionally be encoded. In personal domain 304, communications 308 between mobile phone 300 and cellular or wireless network 310 may be open. Cellular or wireless network 310 may then communicate to either a business enterprise server 316 associated with the business domain over a VPN backhaul 312 or to a public network 318 over an open backhaul 314.

FIG. 11 illustrates a basic block diagram of the smartphone in accordance with an embodiment which will be discussed in

greater detail later in the detailed description. As an introduction for the discussions that follow, the device comprises multiple isolated domains 1100, 1102, 1104 1106 and hardware 1116 which may further comprise a processing module to run operating systems 1110 and application software 1108. Each operating system 1110 may be dedicated to an operating domain such as the high domain 1100, the low domain 1102, or any number of intermediate level domains 1120. The high domain 1100 may run secure or business applications while the low domain 1102 may run unsecure or personal applications. The device also comprises a communication control module 1114 to enforce communication restrictions between each of the operating systems 1110, device drivers 1106, trusted applications 1104 and device hardware 1116. FIG. 11 presents an overview of the system and the interconnected components, each of which will be described in fuller detail below.

Provisioning

Before any security measures may be effective, a newly purchased commercial phone is wiped clean and re-imaged with a secure software image. A smartphone may be provisioned by obtaining a commercially available off-the-shelf phone and performing a sequence of steps to be described. The provisioning process can ensure that the phone is cleared of any pre-existing data and software prior to installing new applications. First, the phone may be isolated by shielding it from open WiFi access to prevent unauthorized wireless access or interference. Next, the external Flash card and SIM card, which contain cellular data network information as illustrated in FIG. 4 at 402, may be removed. An unsigned application may then be download, installed and run on the phone to overwrite and replace the boot area of the RAM memory 404. At this point Flash memory is corrupted and normal phone operations will no longer work. This may be verified later. The phone may now be rebooted with new boot code. A series of non-compressible random numbers may be downloaded over a USB port to fill all memory, such as RAM and Flash, as illustrated in FIG. 5. A hash calculation, based on a seed value, of all the random data written to memory may then be performed. If the resulting hash value matches an expected value then the phone has been verified to be clear of any previous data or software. A secure Flash image may then be downloaded and the phone rebooted, at which point the secure image takes control of the phone. If the hash value did not match, then something prevented the replacement boot software from executing and the unit cannot be secured.

Detection of Unauthorized Modification

It may be useful to ensure that the phone has not been subject to unauthorized modification during the course of its operation or between times of usage. Although some commercial phones have varying levels of protection against this, there is no phone that cannot have its software image at least partially modified. While it may not be possible to prevent unauthorized modification without the use of custom hardware or mechanical housing, it is possible to make the process difficult and detectable. Techniques for detection of unauthorized modification may be combined with an appropriate physical possession policy to minimize the possibility of unauthorized modification. Any unauthorized modification to the contents of memory are cause for concern. FIG. 6 illustrates an example embodiment of a memory layout for the smartphone which may be useful for the discussions that follow. RAM 600 may contain communication control module 601, a device driver region 602, a trusted software region 604, a high domain O/S region 606, a low domain O/S region 608 and application region 609. Flash 610, which is non-volatile memory, may contain high domain 612 data, appli-

cations and operating system (such as an Android™ OS). Flash **610** may also contain low domain **614** data, applications and operating system (such as an Android™ OS). Flash **610** may also contain trusted domains **616**, device drivers **618** and a communication control boot **620**.

In one embodiment, detection of unauthorized modification may be achieved through an on-demand random challenge involving only the phone after the phone has been put into a known state via the provisioning process. In this technique, a first text-based key phrase may be entered and used as a hash seed value. The phone then performs a hash calculation over the Flash memory including the boot, trusted domains, device drivers and all operating systems. A second text-based key phrase may then be entered and split against the hash result. The split is stored in Flash memory while the second key phrase is erased from memory. Whenever the integrity of the phone needs to be verified, the first key phrase may be entered and in response, the phone calculates and displays the second key phrase based on the contents of the Flash memory. If the displayed second key phrase is the expected value then the Flash memory is unlikely to have been modified.

In another embodiment, detection of unauthorized modification may be achieved through an on-demand random challenge involving the phone and a laptop or other computer that has a copy of the original Flash image in the phone. In this technique, the laptop may request a copy of the data portion of the Flash memory for temporary safekeeping and replace those portions with random values from the laptop. The laptop may then provide a seed and request an on-demand random challenge as described in the previous technique. The laptop may then verify the results of this challenge, which the phone computes based on the random data that was just downloaded, to ensure that the challenge process has not been corrupted. If the expected hash value is produced from the challenge then there is some assurance that the phone software has not been corrupted and the laptop may then restore the data portions of Flash with the original contents that were saved.

In another embodiment, detection of unauthorized modification may be achieved through the installation of a host based integrity verification application on the phone. There may be separate integrity verification applications for each domain. The integrity verification application may be downloaded and installed through the wireless network (i.e., “over the air”) or through a USB port. The integrity verification application may be signed to indicate that it comes from a trusted source or has otherwise been evaluated and approved. Thus, the integrity verification is done by means of trusted processing. The integrity verification application contains a database of expected signatures for key binary executables that may be run on the phone, as well as other specific data, and verifies the signature of each binary executable against the appropriate entry in the list of expected signatures. The list of expected signatures is itself also protected from external modification and subject to integrity checks. The integrity verification application may be run to produce an overall pass or fail indication, wherein the failure to match any signature against the corresponding expected signature would result in an overall fail indication.

In another embodiment, detection of unauthorized modification may be achieved through an on-demand certificate challenge to cryptographically detect changes in persistent memory involving only the phone and two key phrases for verification. This technique may consist of an initialization phase and a verification phase.

The initialization phase is illustrated in FIGS. 7 and 8. After the phone has been provisioned and is in a known state,

private **716** and public **718** certificates may be obtained which are unique to the phone. A first text-based key phrase **714** is entered and a hash function **708** is calculated. The public certificate **718** is then AES encrypted **712** using the hash of the first key phrase **710**. This encrypted public certificate is then stored in persistent memory **706**.

Moving now to FIG. 8, using the first key phrase **816** as a seed, a hash function is calculated **808** over the software image **804** in Flash memory **800**. The software image **804** includes the boot, trusted domains, device drivers and operating systems but excludes user data and applications. A second text-based key phrase **818** is entered and split against the Flash hash word at **810** to create a Flash hash key **812**. The Flash hash key **812** is then encrypted at **814** using the private certificate **820** and stored in persistent memory **806**. The private certificate **820** and the second key phrase **818** are then cleared from the phone.

The verification phase is illustrated in figures FIGS. 9 and 10. The user may initiate a certificate challenge by entering the first key phrase **914**. A hash of the first key phrase **910** is then used as an AES key to unwrap, at **912**, the encrypted public certificate stored in persistent memory **906**, to reproduce the public certificate **916**.

Moving now to FIG. 10, the public certificate **1020** is used to decrypt, at **1014**, the Flash hash key **1012**. The first key phrase **1016** is also used as a hash seed to calculate a hash **1008** over the software image **1004** in Flash memory **1000**. The hash value is combined with the Flash hash key at **1010** to recover the second key phrase **1018**. If the recovered second key phrase **1018** matches the expected value then the integrity of the software image **1004** has been verified.

Secure Initial State

Prior to being used for secure operations, the health of the platform may be determined and all elements of the system placed into a known state. At power up, health tests may be performed for both the hardware and the Flash memory, including software and persistent data. Power up health tests focus on establishing that the hardware environment is sound, including CPU, RAM and Flash memory, and that the software and data contents of the Flash memory are valid and authenticated. The tests may involve the CPU instruction set; CPU registers; MMU; RAM storage, address and data lines; and Flash address and data lines.

In addition to power up health tests, operational health tests may monitor the health of the hardware environment while the device is operational. These may be periodically performed in the background with minimal impact to the user functionality. These tests may involve the CPU instruction set; CPU registers; MMU; RAM storage and data lines; and before-use Flash program cyclic redundancy check (CRC).

Additionally, the identity of the user may be authenticated through a password challenge at power up, prior to entering into the operational environment. After authentication the system may be initialized by loading the communication control module, the operating system environments and trusted software.

Isolated Regions of Memory

Four isolated domains, or regions of memory, may be provided as illustrated in FIG. 11. A system high domain **1100** may provide applications **1108** and an operating system **1110**, such as the Android™ or Linux™ operating system. A system low domain **1102** may provide applications **1108** and an operating system **1110**, such as the Android™ or Linux™ operating system. The system low domain may be used for unclassified processing. Although only one high domain **1100** and one low domain **1102** are illustrated for simplicity, any number of each type of domain may be provided. Any

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number of additional intermediate level domains **1120** may also be provided. Trusted domains **1104** may be used for secure transforms, cryptographic control, security configuration, access control and secure switching and other security related software. Domains **1106** may be used for device drivers. Each domain operates as an independent virtual machine (VM). Separation is enforced between domains by a memory management unit (MMU), which is part of the phone hardware **1116**, and a communication control module **1114** which configures the MMU.

The communication control module is similar to an operating system kernel except that it may only perform the tasks necessary for configuring memory separation and inter-domain communications. This may include an application scheduler and moving data between address spaces (isolated domains or memory regions). This allows device drivers and operating systems to exist entirely in their own address space. The separation of all tasks across all operating systems present on the same processor is maintained by the communication control module.

The system high **1100** and system low **1102** domains may be complete and isolated operating systems with their own set of applications and storage. Although only one of each is shown in FIG. **11** for simplicity, there may be as many as required. Similarly, although two trusted domains **1104** are shown, there may be as many as required including redundant trusted domains.

Each domain in FIG. **11** exists as a separate Cell under the communication control module. A Cell consists of resources isolated and protected from other cells, including an address space in memory enforced by the MMU, as well as execution time on the CPU enforced by time—slicing. The protection of all cells is managed by the communication control module. The communication control module configures the MMU each time it switches focus to a new domain, allowing it access to its own resources and only those resources. The communication control module also replaces the portions of the OS in each domain, such that their schedulers may now rely on the communication control module for configuring the MMU for their sub-tasks.

Device Drivers

Some embodiments allow the device drivers to be portable. Existing device driver binaries may be used in unmodified form. This is possible because they are wrapped with functional translation between the OS and the communication control module and because they are isolated in their own domain. Some device drivers may be wrapped with trusted software to enable switching or transformations. This may offer the advantage of allowing for rapid migration as new releases are made available. Device drivers may change implementation significantly with hardware, but the fundamental device driver interface changes infrequently.

There may be four classes of device drivers as illustrated in the table of FIG. **12**. These class are switched, shared, assigned low and assigned high. Specific example of actual device drivers are provided within each class.

As illustrated in FIG. **13**, physical devices assigned exclusively to the system high domain **1306** may be available only to the system high domain **1300**. The data that passes through these devices may not undergo an encryption transformation. The GPS device provides precise location information about the user. In some situations it may be preferable to keep this information secret and not shared over clear channels which is why the GPS device driver may be assigned to the high domain. Device drivers in the assigned high domain may be fixed in the software image. In alternate embodiments, the

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assignment may be configurable by an authorized entity. Such assignment reconfiguration may require a reboot of the phone.

As illustrated in FIG. **14**, physical devices assigned exclusively to the system low domain **1406** may be available only to the system low domain **1400**. The data that passes through these devices typically need not undergo an encryption transformation, although in some embodiments they may undergo such a transformation if required. Devices such as the USB bus and Bluetooth need to be compatible with their existing protocol specification which may make it impractical to transform or share their data passing through the bus. Device drivers in the assigned low domain may be fixed in the software image. In alternate embodiments, the assignment may be configurable by an authorized entity. Such assignment reconfiguration may require a reboot of the phone.

As illustrated in FIG. **15**, shared devices **1506** may always be available to both high and low domains **1500** and **1504**. The data that passes through these devices is encrypted data compatible with the system low domain.

The cellular data network and WiFi network are packet-switched IP networks. Packets exiting from the system high-side are first subject to an Internet Protocol Security (IPSec) transformation in a trusted domain before reaching the device driver. Packets entering and exiting the system low-side are unchanged. By sharing the device data services each domain can access the network when needed, allowing for background syncing and avoiding connection loss from network timeouts regardless of which domain is currently selected by the user. This may also allow the domain with which the user is not interacting to enter an idle, low power state, increasing battery life. This may also avoid additional latency that would otherwise be created by routing data from the system high-domain to the trusted domain to the system low-domain and then to the device driver.

The Flash storage device may be partitioned between the high domain and the low domain, allowing each access only to their own data. Data transfer from either side goes through an encryption transformation in a trusted space with each domain using a different symmetric encryption key.

As illustrated in FIG. **16**, switched devices **1606** change exclusive assignment between high and low domain **1600** and **1604** while assigned. The data that passes through these devices may not usually be encrypted. There may be an effective sanitization strategy for output devices before each switch **1620**. Input devices may not need sanitization. The display and speaker are two examples of switched output devices. The sanitization consists of flushing and clearing the buffer that feeds each device driver. Since each device is write-only, the sanitization is simply to flush and clear the buffers to avoid remnant data from being mixed with new data from the other domain. The touchscreen, microphone and keypad are examples of switched input devices which do not need sanitization.

The touchscreen, display and keypad are logically grouped together since they may all need to be switched simultaneously and immediately when the user initiates a domain switch. The microphone and speaker are logically grouped together and they may not need to immediately switch when the user initiates a domain switch. This is to avoid a secure voice conversation from switching over to the low domain should the user initiate a transition to the low domain during a secure voice call.

Data at Rest

All data, when not actively in use, whether in non-volatile Flash memory or volatile RAM may require some degree of protection. All data stored in Flash memory, whether internal

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or external to the phone, may be encrypted immediately prior to storage to prevent unauthorized access.

If the system high domain is in a locked state, whether through timeout or overt action by the user, the RAM associated with the high domain may be sanitized for additional protection and may need to be reinstated before the high domain can resume processing. The system low domain may also be locked, but the RAM may remain untouched.

Key Management

Keys may be stored persistently. One method may use Suite B algorithms and PKI key material. Stored key material may be AES key wrapped using a key encryption key (KEK) that is split with a user password and a random value. The split KEK may then be stored in internal Flash memory (unencrypted persistent storage). This allows for a more dynamic KEK value, but is only as strong as the user password.

Keys may also be stored temporarily in internal RAM. In the event of power loss the device needs to be externally rekeyed. Locking the device may allow the keys to remain present in RAM.

Field Control and Configuration

The phone may have security parameters that can be configured, as well as trusted controls necessary to interact with the phone in a secure manner.

In one embodiment, access control to the device may be provided. The access control may be a single-factor password based mechanism. Mutual authentication may be required. The procedure may be initiated by a hard-key press which is intercepted at the device driver and unseen by the OS environments. A popup dialog may be presented to the user requesting a device passphrase to authenticate the device and gain access to protected functions including setting some security options and switching to the system high domain. The passphrase may also be used to cryptographically recover stored key material. The display may appear as illustrated in FIG. 17. The popup dialog may be used to switch domains and change security parameters. FIG. 18 illustrates an example state diagram showing access control, domain switching and security parameter configuration according to some embodiments.

Both OS domains may be live and active simultaneously although isolated in RAM and Flash memory. This provides support for background synchronization. A hard-key press may be used to switch between domains. The hard key press may be captured by an input only device and processed by a trusted element at the device driver level and not forwarded to either OS. It may be undesirable to rely on an application in the high or low domain to initiate the switch since this may increase the chance of a security breach. Physical keys are preferable to virtual keys because physical key presses are discrete events that can be filtered out at the device driver level and never forwarded to the high or low domain software that may have current control over the display and keypad.

Once the user initiates a domain switch using a physical key press, the trusted device driver element notifies a trusted security element to take control of the keypad and display, which may then present the user with a two-way authentication prompt. Identity management relies on a mutual authentication scheme. The trusted element displays a device passphrase on the screen, which the user may recognize as having been previously entered, and then presents the user with a short menu of options. The display may be trusted because (1) the key press was intercepted at a low level device driver before entering either domain and (2) the display presented a shared secret device passphrase to the user which is not accessible by any software outside of the trusted domain.

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Some actions may require the user to enter their password to perform the action. The action may be trusted to have been performed because the phone first authenticated itself as the trusted portion. Some actions may also be limited to only certain users who have the authentication credentials. Once authenticated, the user can switch between domains or perform security actions more quickly without entering credentials repeatedly, until either a timeout or overt lock occurs. Some rare and important security actions may require a password every time. There may also be an additional menu option for certain users to gain access to more advanced settings to which other users do not have access.

Some switched device drivers may lag or not switch. For example, it may be undesirable for the speaker and microphone to switch domains during a call in progress.

Field updates and maintenance may include software updates. Trusted portions of software may be updated under restriction controls including the requirement that the updates be signed. The system high side may benefit from signed software which has been evaluated. The system low side may benefit from compatibility with existing commercial standards such as, for example, the Android™ or Google™ marketplace.

The device may be disposed of when no longer needed or repurposed. All information in the phone can be sanitized by following the provisioning process described previously. The phone may then either be returned to the original default Android™ image, for example, or to a new secure image. In the event of accidental loss or theft, a remote sanitization capability may be provided in some embodiments.

FIG. 19a and FIG. 19b illustrate a procedure for modifying an existing mobile communication device to operate in multiple domains in accordance with some embodiments. In FIG. 19a, operation 1900 comprises installing an operating system for each operating domain in isolated regions of memory where at least one of the domains may be a secure domain and at least one of the domains may be an unsecure domain. The secure and unsecure domains may be targeted for government applications. In FIG. 19b, operation 1950 comprises installing an operating system for each operating domain in isolated regions of memory where at least one of the domains may be a business domain and at least one of the domains may be a personal domain. The business and personal domains may be targeted for commercial applications. In some embodiments existing software may be cleared from the device prior to installing the operating systems. Operation 1910 in FIG. 19a and FIG. 19b comprises installing device drivers in isolated regions of memory.

In both FIGS. 19a and 19b, operation 1920 comprises implementing a communication control module to enforce communication restrictions between operating systems, device drivers and device hardware. The communication control module may be used to prevent corruption or unauthorized modification of software or data between domains as well as to prevent access of secure data by an unsecure domain application. Each domain operates as an independent virtual machine and separation is enforced between domains by a memory management unit which is part of the device hardware and is configured by the communication control module.

In FIG. 19a, operation 1930 comprises implementing an authentication procedure to switch from unsecure domain to secure domain. The procedure may establish an expected response phrase to be supplied in response to an authentication challenge. The procedure may confirm authentication when an encrypted version of the expected response phrase matches a similarly encrypted version of the trial response

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phrase that is entered in response to an authentication challenge. In FIG. 19b, Operation 1980 comprises implementing an authentication procedure to switch from personal domain to business domain. The procedure may establish an expected response phrase to be supplied in response to an authentication challenge. The procedure may confirm authentication when an encoded version of the expected response phrase matches a similarly encoded version of the trial response phrase that is entered in response to an authentication challenge.

In FIG. 19a, operation 1940 comprises providing a trusted indicator that the device is operating in a secure domain. This trusted indicator may be under the exclusive control of software that operates in the secure domain. In FIG. 19b, operation 1990 comprises providing a trusted indicator that the device is operating in a business domain. This trusted indicator may be under the exclusive control of software that operates in the business domain.

In some embodiments the mobile communication device may provide a capability to encrypt communications transmissions between the device and a cellular or wireless network. In some embodiments the device may provide the capability to encrypt some or all of the data associated with the secure domain.

In some embodiments the mobile communication device may provide communication transmission between the mobile communication device and a business entity associated with the business domain, through a virtual private network (VPN), while the mobile communication device is operating in the business domain.

In some embodiments the mobile communication device may provide a device erasure capability, wherein one or more of the isolated regions of memory are erased. The device erasure may be initiated by a button or key press on the device or by the reception of a secure communication code for devices having a secure domain or by the reception of a communication transmission from a business entity associated with the business domain for devices having a business domain. A trusted indicator may be provided to indicate that the erasure has been accomplished. In some embodiments the erasure may be limited to areas of memory associated with the secure domain or business domain. The device erasure may be accomplished by trusted software operating in the secure domain or business domain.

In some embodiments restrictions may be placed on software downloads to the device for use in the secure domain or business domain. The software downloads may be subject to a validation procedure which may include a requirement for a trusted signature accompanying the software to be downloaded. Software downloads may require the approval of an authority rather than being allowed at the user's option.

FIG. 20a and FIG. 20b illustrate a functional block diagram of a mobile communication device configured to operate in multiple domains in accordance with some embodiments. The term module may comprise hardware, software or a combination of both. The device comprises multiple isolated regions of memory 2000 and a processing module 2018 to run operating systems 2006. Each operating system 2006 may be dedicated to an operating domain such as secure operating domain 2008 and unsecure operating domain 2010 as seen in FIG. 20a or such as a business operating domain 2009 and personal domain 2011 as seen in FIG. 20b.

The device also comprises a processing module instantiated communication control module 2014 to enforce communication restrictions between each of the operating systems 2006, device drivers 2012 and device hardware 2002. The communication control module may be used to prevent cor-

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ruption or unauthorized modification of software or data between domains as well as to prevent access of secure data by an unsecure domain application or access of business data by a personal domain application. Each domain operates as an independent virtual machine and separation is enforced between domains by a memory management unit which is part of the device hardware and is configured by the communication control module.

In FIG. 20a, authentication module 2016, which is also instantiated by the processing module, may enable domain switching from unsecure domain to secure domain based on a cryptographic authentication technique. Authentication module 2016 may further comprise an input module, an encryption module and a confirmation module. The input module may receive an expected response phrase in response to an authentication challenge, and a trial response phrase in response to the authentication challenge. The encryption module may encrypt the expected and trial response phrases. The confirmation module may confirm authentication based on a match between the encrypted expected response phrase and the encrypted trial response phrase.

In FIG. 20b, authentication module 2017, which is also instantiated by the processing module, may enable domain switching from personal domain to business domain based on an authentication technique. Authentication module 2017 may further comprise an input module, an encoding module and a confirmation module. The input module may receive an expected response phrase in response to an authentication challenge, and a trial response phrase in response to the authentication challenge. The encoding module may encode the expected and trial response phrases. The confirmation module may confirm authentication based on a match between the encoded expected response phrase and the encoded trial response phrase.

Trusted indicator 2004 may provide irrefutable evidence that the device is operating in a secure domain or a business domain and the indicator may be under the exclusive control of software that operates in secure domain or business domain. Trusted indicator 2004 may be an LED on the device.

In some embodiments the mobile communication device may provide a transceiver to provide encrypted communication transmission between the device and a secure server while the device is operating in the secure domain. In some embodiments the encrypted communication may be through a VPN.

In some embodiments the mobile communication device may provide a transceiver to optionally encode communication transmission between the device and a business entity associated with the business domain while the device is operating in the business domain. In some embodiments the encoded communication may be through a VPN.

FIG. 21 illustrates a procedure for validating the integrity of a mobile communication device in accordance with some embodiments. Integrity validation may be performed to ensure that the device software has not been altered in an unauthorized manner or without the knowledge of the user. Operation 2100 comprises provisioning the device. In some embodiments provisioning comprises clearing existing software from the device and installing trusted software on the device. In some embodiments provisioning is performed in a location shielded from WiFi access.

Operation 2110 comprises establishing a first pass phrase and a second pass phrase. Operation 2120 comprises relating the first and second pass phrases to a hash function calculation based on the contents of device memory as follows. The first pass phrase is used as a hash seed value. A hash calculation is performed over the device memory using this seed value. The

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second pass phrase is split against the calculated hash result. This split is stored, while the second pass phrase is erased. Operation **2130** comprises recalculating the second pass phrase based on the contents of device memory in response to receiving the first pass phrase and displaying it as an indication of integrity validation. The user challenges the phone for verification by entering the first pass phrase and the phone responds with the second pass phrase. If the displayed second pass phrase is not the expected value, this may indicate that the device software has been altered. This handshake procedure between the first pass phrase and the second pass phrase may ensure that malware would be unable to reproduce the second pass phrase to deceptively indicate device integrity. In some embodiments a shared secret is displayed on the screen to validate integrity.

In some embodiments the second pass phrase is displayed at power up of the device as an indication of integrity validation.

FIG. **22** illustrates a functional block diagram of a mobile communication device configured to provide integrity validation. The term module may comprise hardware, software or a combination of both. The device **2200** comprises a provisioning module **2210** to clear existing software from the device, install trusted software on the device and establish a first pass phrase and a second pass phrase. An input module **2202** receives the first pass phrase and a display module **2204** displays the second pass phrase as an indication of integrity validation in response to the receiving of the first pass phrase. A hash function calculation module **2208** relates the first and second passphrases based on a hash function calculation of the contents of the device memory **2206**.

In some embodiments the display module displays the second pass phrase at power up of the device as an indication of integrity validation.

In some embodiments the provisioning module operates in a location shielded from WiFi access.

FIG. **23** illustrates a procedure for indicating activity across operating domains of a mobile communication device in accordance with some embodiments. Operation **2300** comprises establishing operating domains for the device. At least one of the domains may be a high-side domain and at least one of the domains may be a low-side domain. It may be advantageous to notify a user of the device of activity in the high-side domain while the device is operating in the low-side domain so that the user may switch domains if desired. Operation **2310** comprises establishing isolated regions of memory on the device. Operation **2320** comprises assigning operating domains to the isolated regions of memory.

Operation **2330** comprises implementing a communication control module to enforce communication restrictions between software associated with each of the operating domains and device hardware. The communication control module may be used to prevent corruption or unauthorized modification of software or data between domains as well as to prevent access of high-side domain data by a low-side domain application. Each domain operates as an independent virtual machine and separation is enforced between domains by a memory management unit which is part of the device hardware and is configured by the communication control module.

Operation **2340** comprises providing a trusted indicator of activity in the high-side domain. In some embodiments activity may include incoming calls, incoming text messages or arrival of mail. The trusted indicator may be under the exclusive control of software that operates in high-side domain.

FIG. **24** illustrates a functional block diagram of a mobile communication device configured to operate in multiple

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domains in accordance with some embodiments. The term module may comprise hardware, software or a combination of both. The device comprises multiple isolated regions of memory **2400** and a processing module **2418** to run operating domains **2406**. At least one of the domains may be a high-side domain **2406** and at least one of the domains may be a low-side domain **2408**.

The device also comprises a processing module instantiated communication control module **2414** to enforce communication restrictions between software associated with each of the operating domains **2406** and **2408** and device hardware **2402**. The communication control module may be used to prevent corruption or unauthorized modification of software or data between domains as well as to prevent access of high-side domain data by a low-side domain application. Each domain operates as an independent virtual machine and separation is enforced between domains by a memory management unit which is part of the device hardware and is configured by the communication control module.

Trusted indicator **2404** may provide an indication of activity in the high-side operating domain and may be under the exclusive control of software that operates in the high-side domain. Trusted indicator **2404** may be an LED on the device.

What is claimed is:

1. A method for configuring a mobile communication device to operate in multiple domains, the method comprising:

installing a plurality of operating systems on the mobile communication device, one for each of a plurality of operating domains, each of the plurality of operating domains occupying an isolated region of memory; and installing a plurality of device drivers on the mobile communication device in another isolated region of memory separate from the isolated regions of memory occupied by the plurality of operating domains, at least one of the device drivers assigned exclusively to a first domain, at least one of the device drivers assigned exclusively to a second domain, at least one of the device drivers shared concurrently between the first domain and the second domain, and at least one of the device drivers switched between exclusive assignment to the first domain and exclusive assignment to the second domain.

2. The method of claim 1 further comprising clearing existing software from the mobile communication device prior to installing the plurality of operating systems.

3. The method of claim 1 further comprising implementing a communication control module to enforce communication restrictions between the plurality of operating systems and the plurality of device drivers.

4. The method of claim 1 wherein the first domain is a secure domain configured to allow communications with another communication device by wireless transmission and reception of encrypted communications.

5. The method of claim 1 wherein the second domain is an unsecure domain configured to allow communications with another communication device by wireless transmission and reception of unencrypted communications.

6. The method of claim 1 wherein the first domain is a business domain configured to allow communications with another communication device through a virtual private network (VPN).

7. The method of claim 1 wherein the second domain is a personal domain configured to allow communications with another communication device by wireless transmission and reception of open communications.

8. The method of claim 1 wherein the first domain is configured to allow communications via a picocell base sta-

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tion located on an aircraft, and the second domain is configured to allow communications via a wireless network operated by a commercial carrier.

9. The method of claim 1 wherein the first domain is configured to allow communications via a business enterprise server over a virtual private network (VPN) backhaul, and the second domain is configured to allow open communications via a public network.

10. The method of claim 1 wherein the mobile communication device is a smartphone.

11. A mobile communication device configured to operate in multiple domains, the mobile communication device comprising:

- a plurality of isolated regions of memory;
- a processing module to run a plurality of operating systems, one for each of a plurality of operating domains, each of the plurality of operating domains occupying one of the isolated regions of memory;
- a device driver module in another one of the isolated regions of memory separate from the isolated regions of memory occupied by the plurality of operating domains, the device driver module including a plurality of device drivers, at least one of the device drivers assigned exclusively to a first domain, at least one of the device drivers assigned exclusively to a second domain, at least one of the device drivers shared concurrently between the first domain and the second domain, and at least one of the device drivers switched between exclusive assignment to the first domain and exclusive assignment to the second domain.

12. The mobile communication device of claim 11 further comprising a communication control module to enforce communication restrictions between the plurality of operating systems and the plurality of device drivers.

13. The mobile communication device of claim 11 wherein the first domain is a secure domain configured to allow communications with another communication device by wireless transmission and reception of encrypted communications.

14. The mobile communication device of claim 11 wherein the second domain is an unsecure domain configured to allow

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communications with another communication device by wireless transmission and reception of unencrypted communications.

15. The mobile communication device of claim 11 wherein the first domain is a business domain configured to allow communications with another communication device through a virtual private network (VPN).

16. The mobile communication device of claim 11 wherein the second domain is a personal domain configured to allow communications with another communication device by wireless transmission and reception of open communications.

17. The mobile communication device of claim 11 wherein the first domain is configured to allow communications via a picocell base station located on an aircraft, and the second domain is configured to allow communications via a wireless network operated by a commercial carrier.

18. The mobile communication device of claim 11 wherein the first domain is configured to allow communications via a business enterprise server over a virtual private network (VPN) backhaul, and the second domain is configured to allow open communications via a public network.

19. The mobile communication device of claim 11 wherein the mobile communication device is a smartphone.

20. A method for configuring a mobile communication device to operate in multiple domains, the method comprising:

- installing a plurality of operating systems on the mobile communication device, one for each of a plurality of operating domains, each of the plurality of operating domains occupying an isolated region of memory; and
- installing a plurality of device drivers on the mobile communication device in another isolated region of memory separate from the isolated regions of memory occupied by the plurality of operating domains, at least one of the device drivers shared concurrently between a first domain and a second domain, and at least one of the device drivers switched between exclusive assignment to the first domain and exclusive assignment to the second domain.

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